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PEACE MOVE IN INDO-CHINA

New proposals to French believed in offering MOVE BY NATIONALISTS

Saigon, March 5.

A group of Indo-China nationalists, including members of Viet-minh (the nationalist insurgent movement) is believed to be ready to make new proposals to France to end the warfare in Indo-China, according to generally well-informed nationalist sources.

ANTI-RED MEASURES IN U.S.

Washington, March 4. Legislation cracking down on Communists and Communist front organizations in this country won approval today of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The committee adopted a bill introduced by Senator Mundt, South Dakota Republican, which would:

1. Require the registration of 54,000 card-carrying American Communists and officials of Communist front organizations.
2. Require Communist front organizations to report their assets as well as their real names.
3. Call for the filing of financial reports disclosing sources of income of Red organizations and where the money is spent.
4. Deny Communists the right to work for the Federal Government and deprive them of U.S. passport privileges.

Still penalties are provided in the measure—a \$2,000 to \$5,000 fine and two years in jail.

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They said an attempt might be made to reconcile the Moscow-trained Vietminh leader, Dr. Ho Chi-minh, and the ex-emperor Bao Dai, head of the new State of Vietnam.

The Nationalist group likely to make the move was supported by political personalities of the Bao Dai Government as well as many intellectuals in Saigon and Hanoi, the sources added.

They said that the leading spirit behind the proposals was a nationalist politician, a former Minister under the Japanese occupation.

The proposals, they said, would call for:

1. Complete independence;
2. A promise to withdraw French troops;
3. A "cease fire" order;
4. The United Nations to supervise the "cease fire" and the withdrawal of French troops;
5. The formation of a reconciliation commission composed of Vietnamese only and representing all political tendencies; and
6. New general elections and the formation of a new "national unity" Government.

According to the same sources, such conditions would be likely to satisfy all Vietnamese, including Communist members of the Vietminh, the withdrawal of French forces being the essential condition demanded by Dr. Ho Chi-minh.

Informants in close touch with Communist and non-Communist nationalists said that "certain French parties" were likely to support such a solution, which would protect French nationals and their property.

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A mounted policeman clears a way for the Premier, Mr. Clement Attlee's car as he leaves Downing Street, after the meeting of the Cabinet, at which Labour decided to form a Government, using their small overall majority.—(AP Photo).

HK TOO HARD A NUT FOR REDS TO CRACK--MACDONALD

Singapore, March 5.

Hong Kong was too strongly fortified for the Chinese Communists to attack, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner-General for South East Asia, declared today.

Hong Kong was "a stone wall which will hurt the attackers more than the attacked," and was of no real value to the Communists, Mr. MacDonald added.

He was speaking on the current political situation at a public meeting in Johore Bahru, the headquarters of the United Malaya National Organisation.

Reviewing the position in South East Asia, Mr. MacDonald described Burma as the weakest link in the democratic camp, and Malaya as "well out of reach of the powerful Communist punch."

Siam was powerfully opposed to Communism and declaring more openly denunciation of the Reds and allegiance to the democratic camp.

Indo-China was the likeliest spot for the Communists to launch their attack, and he warned that if it fell the cause of democracy would be lost to Communism in South East Asia.

Democratic nations must hope for victory for Bao Dai, he declared.

In Indonesia, the granting of independence by the Dutch had done much to remove the Communist threat and had been a tremendous strengthening of the democratic powers.

Immediate aid

The people of South East Asia must have immediate and effective economic aid and guidance in political aspirations from outside if the democracies want to include them in their anti-Communist campaign, Mr. MacDonald said.

Mr. MacDonald described the expression of political freedom in self-government and economic uplift as two causes which have claimed the passionate

After the decision

American to appeal to Moscow

New York, March 5.

The former United States Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. John Rogge, left by plane on Saturday for Moscow, where he said he expects to make a world peace appeal before the Soviet parliament.

"I hope to be able to appear before the parliament," he said, "and make proposals on the outlawing of atomic weapons, and of all weapons of mass destruction, and on the necessity of a world disarmament programme."

Mr. Rogge is a member of the Executive Committee of the World Congress of the Defenders of Peace. He planned to meet members of the Committee in Paris before leaving for Moscow.

A visa for him to enter Russia is waiting for him in Paris.

Meanwhile, in Ottawa, Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian External Affairs Minister said in Parliament that a special meeting of the United Nations Assembly should be held in Moscow.

In response to a comment in a foreign affairs debate, Mr. Pearson said that he felt that no means—except appeasement—of bridging the gap between the East and the West should be rejected.—Associated Press.

French debate on sabotage bill adjourned

Paris, March 5.

The French Assembly recessed its debate on the Anti-Sabotage Bill early today after modifying the measure which the Communists have attempted for two days to block.

The debate was halted after 48 hours of non-stop discussion and will be resumed at 3 p.m. It continued through Saturday night as the Communist-led strike of longshoremen paralysed French and Algerian ports in a "dress rehearsal" for the Communist campaign to halt the delivery of American military supplies to France. The arms shipment was expected to arrive later this month.

The port strike was called by the Dockers' Federation of the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labour. At Le Havre, Cherbourg and other big ports, officials reported the 24-hour "warning" walk-out was effective.

The Government sought quick action on the two bills that would impose stiff penalties on strike agitators and saboteurs. The Assembly amended one of them, however, and the Government immediately announced it considered the modified version ineffective and too liberal.

Later today the Assembly was to consider 77 other amendments, most of them proposed by Communists who for two days have attempted to delay legislation by filibustering.—United Press.

GREEK SCHOOL COLLAPSES

Athens, March 5.

Six children were killed in the Southern Greek village of Nafio, near Sparta, when a school building collapsed during a torrential downpour on Saturday.

A large number of children were also injured. The Minister of Public Order officially reported.—Associated Press.

Hong Kong said training ground for Red agents

London, March 4.

A group of former British and French statesmen charged today that Hong Kong is the main training ground for Communist agents whose job it is to create havoc in South East Asia, thus enabling the Chinese Communists and Soviet Russia to conquer all Asia including India.

The group declared that Russia also is planning a Communist empire in Africa.

Known as the International Committee for Study of European Affairs, the group has headquarters in London and Paris. Its membership includes the former French Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, the former British Foreign Office chief, Lord Vansittart, Britain's wartime Minister of Aircraft Production, Lord Brabazon and several British and French Parliamentarians.

The Committee issued a 42-page document detailing the "general organization of the Cominform and its present activities in Asia and Africa."

The document itemises what the Committee claim to be authentic details of the Soviet pattern of conquest in Africa. The Committee said Communist activities in the British and French African possessions and claimed the Soviet Embassy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, is the main centre of the Communist direction of the Cominform in North, West and Central Africa through the intermediary of British and French Communist or neo-Communist parties whose actions are supported by numerous Moslem propagandists sent to North Africa by Russia through the Middle East.

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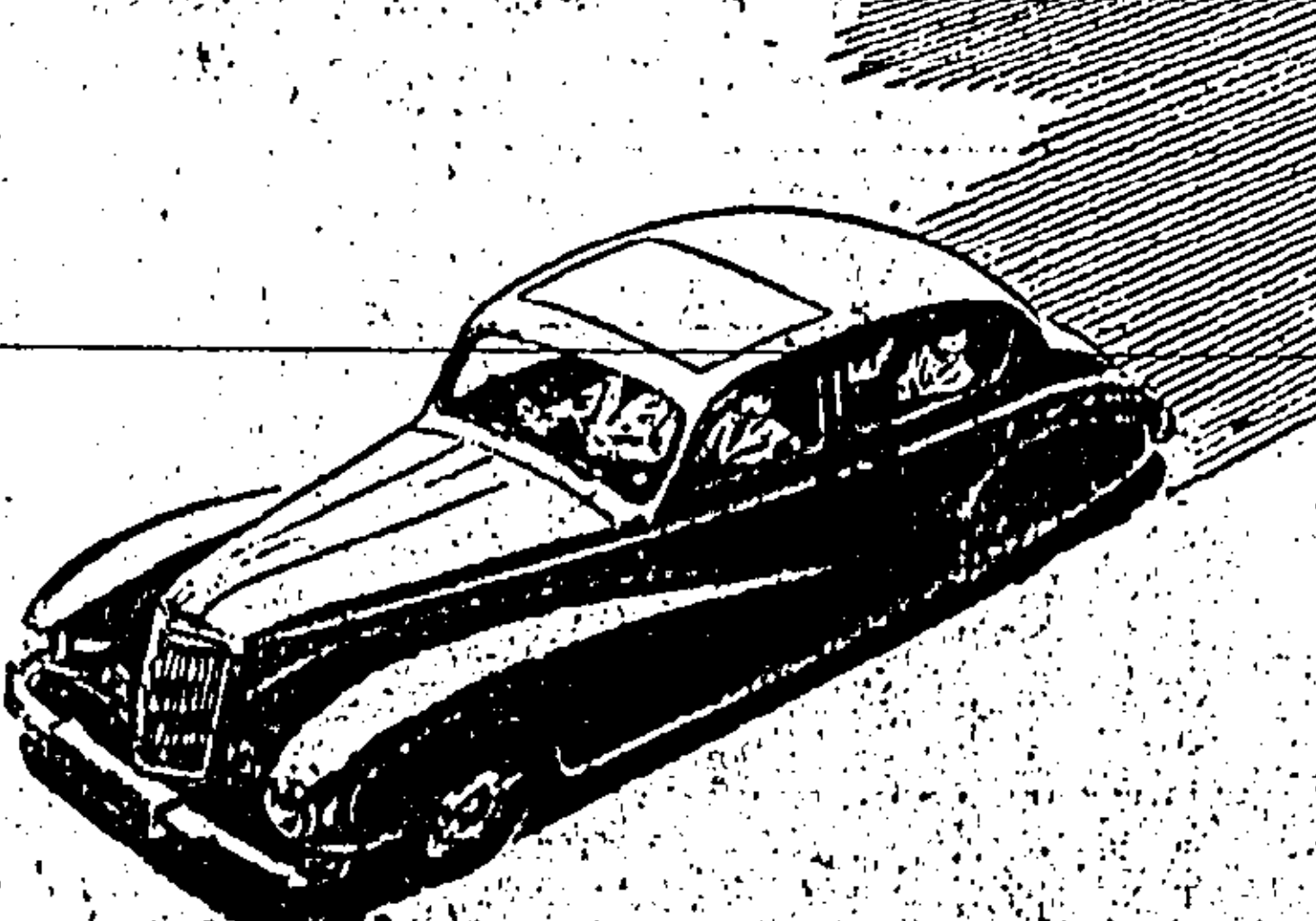
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THE WEATHER

At 0800 GMT (2 p.m. HKST), a moderate anti-cyclone, which covers the Maritime Japan and the adjacent seas, is moving Eastward. It is falling over China, and is due over the Western Pacific.

Today's Forecast: Moderate E and SE winds. Partly cloudy. Mild. Yesterday's weather: Mainly clear, but with occasional showers. Maximum 81° F. Minimum 64° F.

Forecast for 24 hours: Partly cloudy. Mild. Maximum 81° F. Minimum 64° F.

Forecast for 48 hours: Partly cloudy. Mild. Maximum 81° F. Minimum 64° F.

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NOTICE
ISLAND BATHING
BEACHES.

Private Bathing Huts on
Middle Bay and
South Bay Beaches.

1. Applications may now be
made by bona fide Hong Kong
residents to the Secretary, Ur-
ban Council, for the occupation
during the current bathing
season of existing huts and
pre-war hut sites on Middle
Bay and South Bay Beaches.

2. Application forms may be
obtained from the Secretary,
Urban Council, General Post
Office Building, (top floor).

3. Only one member of a
family may submit an applica-
tion for a site or hut. Any
additional applications found to
be submitted by other mem-
bers of the same family will
be cancelled. Duly completed
application forms must reach
the Urban Council offices be-
fore noon on Wednesday, the
15th March, 1950.

4. Existing huts and sites
have been classified as fol-
lows:—

Class "A"—Hut in good con-
dition.

Class "B"—Matched or hut
not in good condition.

Class "C"—Mere remnant or
foundation.

5. The following permit fees
will be charged for the current
season from 1st April, 1950 to
31st March, 1951:—

Class "A"—\$500.00
Class "B"—\$150.00
Class "C"—\$50.00

6. Application forms will
only be issued against payment
of a fee of \$10.00 which will
not be returned. Persons ap-
plying by letter to the Secre-
tary, Urban Council, for an ap-
plication form should enclose a
cheque for \$10.00.

7. The allocation of sites on
the two island beaches will be
determined by ballot, which
will be held in the Urban
Council Chamber at 3.00 p.m.
on Monday, the 20th March,
1950. Applications will not be
considered in respect of specific
sites or in respect of any particu-
lar class of hut or site. In
the ballot more names will be
drawn than the number of sites
available and a reserve list
will be prepared in case any
successful applicant fails to
take up the site allotted to him.
Successful applicants will be
informed of the result of the
ballot and will be required to
pay the appropriate permit fee
into the Treasury before the
30th March, 1950.

8. If a successful applicant
fails to pay the appropriate
permit fee within the pre-
scribed time limit, the site
offered to him will be with-
drawn and offered to the top
name on the reserve list.

9. Persons who have ap-
plied to the District Officer,
New Territories for huts or
sites in the New Territories are
not debarred from applying
for huts or sites on the Island
beaches, but if they are suc-
cessful in the ballot for the
Island beach sites, they will be
required to withdraw their
names from the subsequent
ballot to be conducted by the
District Officer, New Terri-
tories.

10. Successful applicants
will be granted permits limit-
ing their occupation of the huts
or sites allotted to them to the
period specified in paragraph 5.
Subletting or exploitation of
huts or sites for gain is pro-
hibited.

11. The permit will not be
renewable and on its expiry
the site and all materials re-
maining on it will revert un-
conditionally to Government.

Bathing Matched for Clubs
and Associations

12. Existing permits for
sites allotted to Clubs and As-
sociations will be renewed for
a further year as from 1st
April, 1950. Additional sites
are available at Stanley, Main
Beach and any Club or Asso-
ciation desiring a site on this
beach should submit an ap-
plication to the Secretary,
Urban Council from whom ap-
plication forms may be obtain-
ed. No charge will be made
for such forms but a permit
fee of \$100.00 will be charged
in respect of sites so allocated.

13. Permits will be grant-
ed for the period from 1st
April, 1950 to 31st March,
1951 only. Subletting and ex-
ploitation for gain will be pro-
hibited. A further condition
of the permit will be that the
matched is to be used exclu-
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families of the Club or Asso-
ciation concerned. On the
expiry of the permit the site
and all materials remaining on
it will revert unconditionally
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15. It is forbidden to let
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comparable qualifications.

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perience after completion
of training, exclusive of
any post-graduate course.

4. Candidate must follow an
approved course at a re-
cognised institution in a
country other than their
own. Choice of course
should be stated on ap-
plication form, but will
not necessarily be con-
sidered as final.

5. Candidate must have basic
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ence necessary for course
selected.

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£350 must be paid by the
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vance either by her or the
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be made available before she
leaves Hong Kong. Assistance
towards the cost of second
class return passages may be
given under certain conditions
by the Government of Hong
Kong, if it can be shown that
without such assistance the
successful candidate would not
be able to take up the Schol-
arship.

Application forms may be
obtained from the Principal
Matron, Medical Department,
1st Floor, Hong Kong and
Shanghai Bank Building and
should be returned to her not
later than March 15.

I. NEWTON,
Director
of Medical Services

NOTICE

The Military authorities an-
nounce that Anti-Aircraft guns
will be firing from BRICK
MILL gun site on Tuesday, 7th
MARCH 1950 and Wednesday
8th MARCH 1950, between the
hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
daily resulting in bursts over
the sea East of LAMMA
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Arrangements have been
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toria Bldg. (Next St. Joseph
College, Kennedy Road) on ap-
plication with HK\$200.00 de-
posit (cash only).

Tenders close 1200 hrs Mon-
day 13 March 1950.

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N. B. M. WHITLEY
Secretary
Urban Council
Hong Kong, March 4, 1950.

THE
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ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly
General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be
held at the Head Office of the Company, 8, Des Voeux Road,
Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, at 3.00
p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports
of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and
Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending Decem-
ber 31, 1949, and for the appointment of Auditors and De-
claration of Dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed
from March 6 to March 15, 1950 (both days inclusive) during
which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. S. YUAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 1, 1950.

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HONG KONG

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

Third Race Meeting

11th March 1950

1st Race — Magazine Gap Handicap (1st Section)

8th Race — Magazine Gap Handicap (3rd Section)

9th Race — Windy Gap Handicap (3rd Section)

The Handicap weights in the above have been
reduced 4 lb. all round.

5th Race — Windy Gap Handicap (2nd Section)

The Handicap weights in the above have been
reduced 5 lb. all round.

The correct Handicap weights will appear in the Race Book.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

NOTICE

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Reduction of Charges for Gas

Charges for gas from date of Meter Readings at the end
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| PER METER | Charge per 1000 cu. ft. |
|---|-------------------------|
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| Next 15,000 " | \$12.50 |
| " 25,000 " | \$12.00 |
| Consumption over 50,000 cu. ft. | \$11.50 |

For the Hong Kong & China Gas Co., Ltd.,
F. GOODWIN,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, March 6, 1950.

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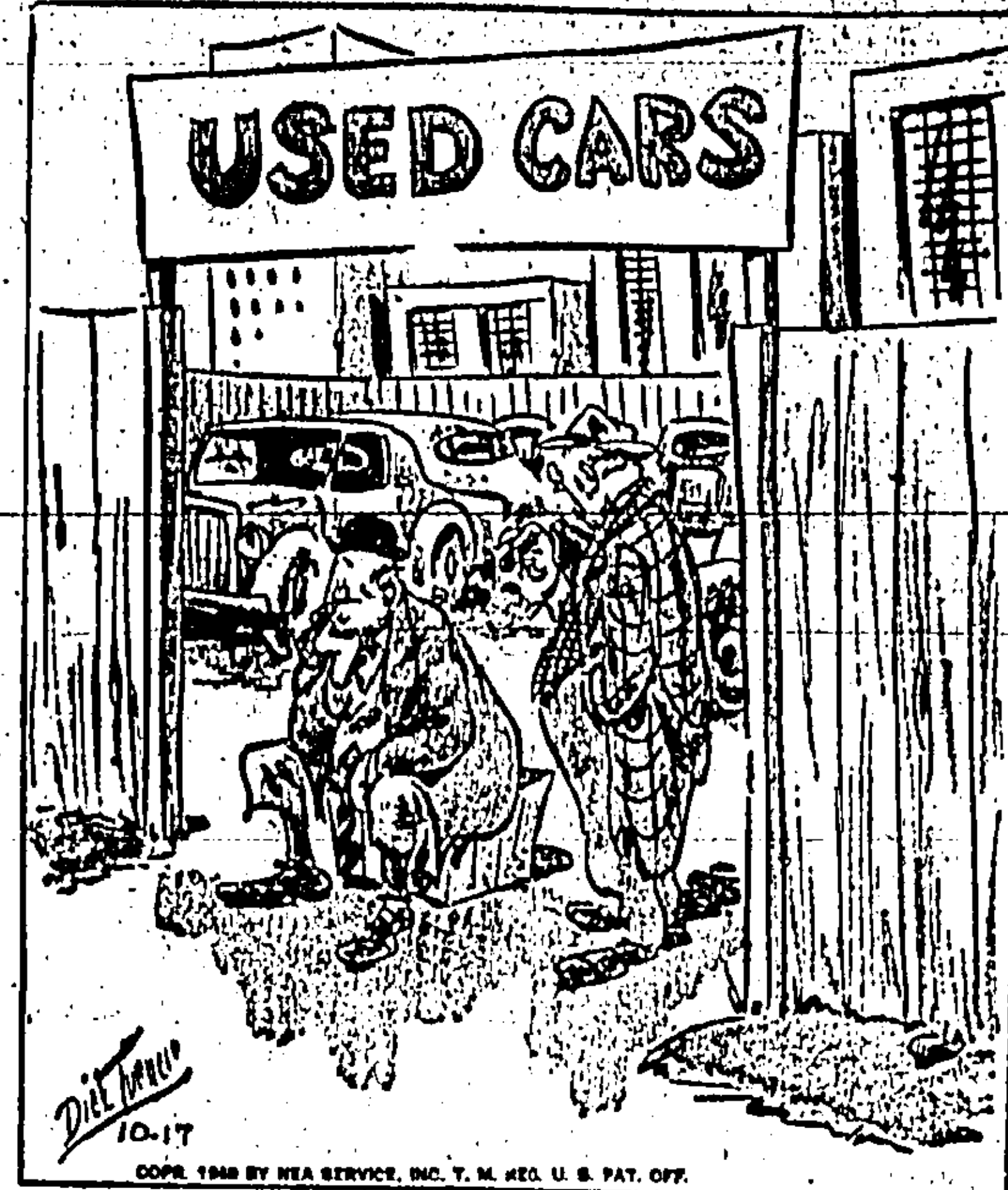
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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"How's this for an aid to business? With the sale of
every car we stick our heads through holes and let them
peg baseballs at us!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

WHAT'S ALL THE HURRY?
SOME of the most costly mis-
takes in bridge are those whereby
a player takes a trick which he
should allow the other fellows
to win so that he can be in shape
for more important work later
on. That applies to many types
of situations, in addition to the
standard hold-ups of an ace or
other honour. One, which is of
frequent occurrence, consists of
ruffing a trick with a trump that
can't be spared, instead of wait-
ing for the next lead of the suit.

S Q J 4
H 8 7 2
D 9 4
C A K Q J 9

S 8 7 6 3
H A K Q J
D Q 8 6
C 7 5

S 9 5
H 10 6 4
D K J 10 2
C 10 8 3

S A K 10 2
H 5 3
D A 7 5 3
C 6 4 2

(Dealer: South. East-West vul-
nerable).

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 7 S | Pass | 2 C | Pass |
| 2 D | Pass | 3 C | Pass |
| 4 D | Pass | 4 S | Pass |

Proper bidding would have put
North into 5-Clubs, an airtight
game contract, but South fancied
his own playing ability so much
more than his partner's that he
bid so as to make his hand sound
like one with two five-card suits.
As it developed, he could have
made that game in the wrong
suit, but didn't.

West opened his strong hearts
first the K, then the J and then
the Q, which South ruffed. By
being too much in a hurry to get
the lead, he ruined himself. To

the fourth trick he seized the
spade Q, then the J and then led
to the K. East's discard showed
him that West retained the spade
8, while he was now trumpsless
in both his own hand and the
dummy. Pettishly moaning that
it was just his luck to find the
spades not divided, he then be-
gan to run clubs.

West of course trumped the
third club. He scored the heart
A to set the contract one, then
returned the diamond Q to the A.
That was South's last trick, as
he had to lose two diamonds at
the end and was down three.

All that South had to do to
secure that improper contract was
let the defenders have the third
heart trick, discarding a diamond
on it. Then, if hearts were con-
tinued, he could have ruffed his
original ability to take out trumps
in four rounds. That many were
likely to be needed against the
probable 4-2 division of the six
missing spades.

Tomorrow's Problem
S A 9 5 2
H K Q 10 8 5
D 5
C 8 5 4

S Q 10 7
H 3
D K 7 6
C J 9 7 6

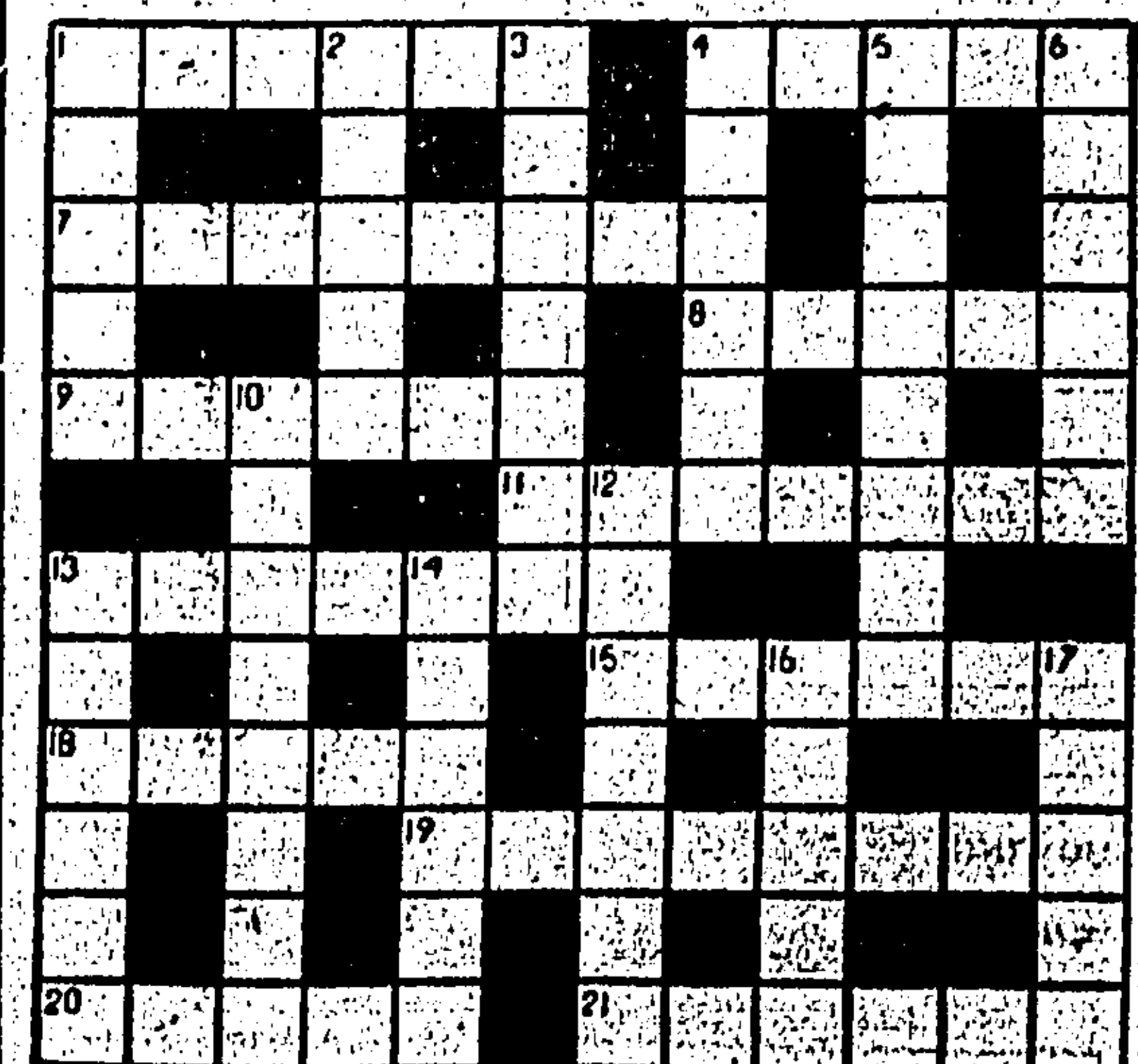
S 3
H A J 9 6 2
D A 10 8 8
C 10

S K J 8 8 4
H 7 4
D 1 4
C A K Q

(Dealer: South. Both sides vul-
nerable).

What card should East return
after winning the heart 3 lead
against South's 4-Spades?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Call for. 13 Admit.
4 Compel. 18 Team.
7 Memorial. 19 Sound.
8 Utopian. 20 Awkward.
9 Above. 21 Subject.
11 Chose by vote. 22 John.

Down

1 Make dim. 12 Ambassa-
cutes. 15 Hidden.
2 Colour. 16 Tolerant.
3 Arrived. 17 Part of a
4 Unusual. 18 Part of a
5 Took badly. 19 Gift.
6 Banished. 17 Gift.
10 Close.

Saturday's Crossword

ACROSS—1. Field, 4. Second, 8.
Real, 9. Dive, 10. Vagrant,
Foot, 11. Mace, 12. Gaudy,
Dodge, 13. Elbow, 14. Dashed,
Eleg, 15. Set, 16. Foxman, 17.
Vag, 18. Null, 19. Reverse, 20. Berry.

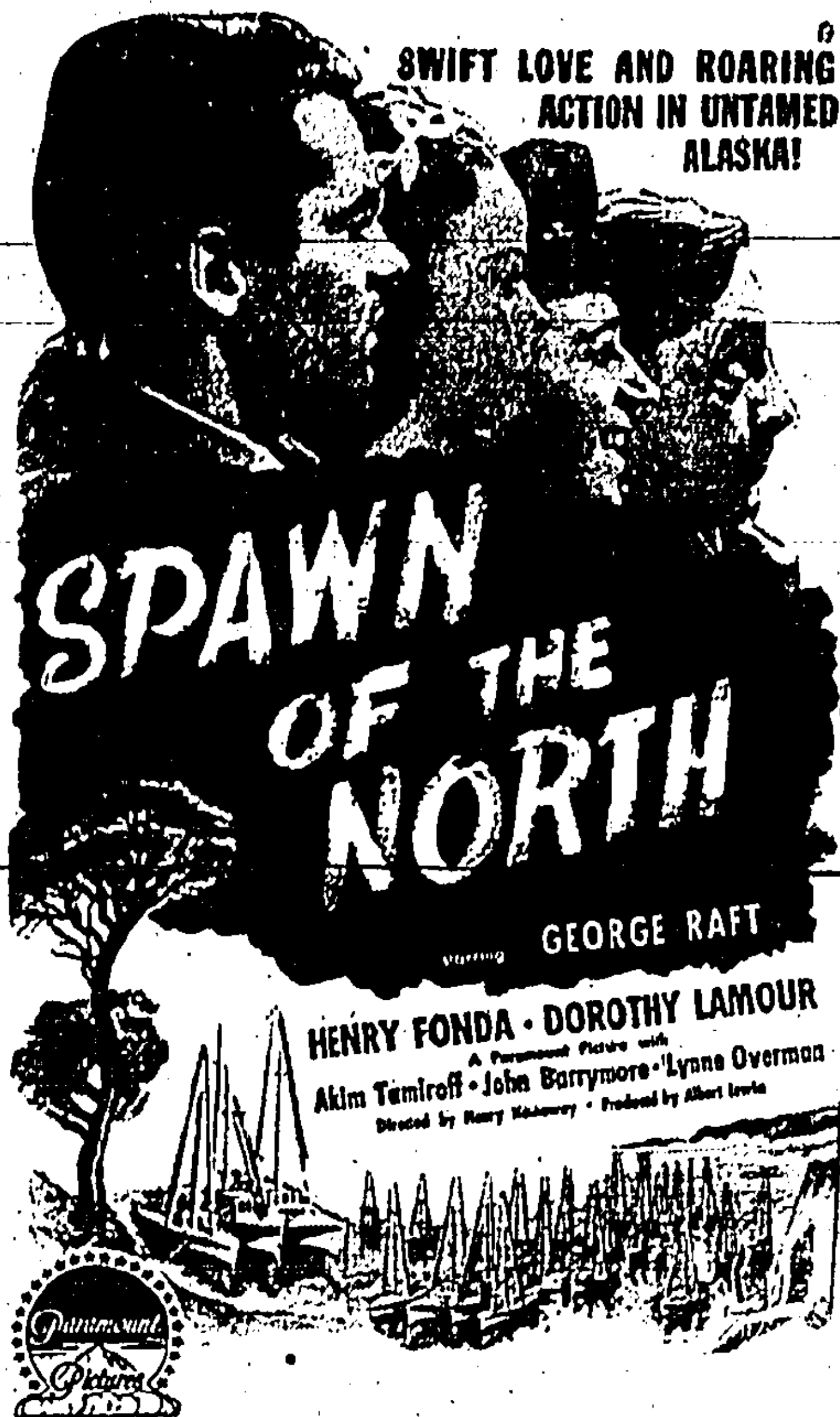
DOWN—2. Teller, 3. Draped, 4.
Bones, 5. Bashed, 6. Omen, 7. Dime,
11. Great, 12. Total, 13. Dime,
14. Bitter, 15. Total, 16. Bitter,
17. Omen, 18. Bitter, 19. Dime,
20. Bitter.

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CZECH STATE COURT SENTENCES DUTCHMAN

Prague, March 4.

The Dutch businessman, Johannes Louwers, was sentenced to 15 years' hard labour by a State court here today after a three-day trial on charges of espionage, economic sabotage and helping Czechs to flee the country. The Czechoslovak defendants in the same trial received sentences ranging from 25 to 30 years' hard labour.

REGIONAL PACT IN THE MED.

Ankara, March 4.

A high diplomatic source said today that the proposed treaty of friendship between Turkey and Italy will probably be the forerunner of a Mediterranean regional pact, eventually including Spain.

The Foreign Minister, Nedžad Hadzima, will leave at the end of this month for Rome to sign an Italo-Turkish agreement. This preliminary treaty will be broadened in conformity with the United Nations Charter into a non-military Mediterranean pact of co-operation against Communist propaganda onslaught in this part of the world.

Expected to join such an alliance are Greece, Lebanon, Syria, Egypt and other members of the Arab League.

Suggestions of a Mediterranean league have been made at regular intervals since the conclusion of the North Atlantic Pact. There is no confirmation for the diplomat's report in official quarters.

Turkey hopes, as a Moslem nation, to anchor some of its bitter feelings aroused in the Middle East by a proposed merger of Syria and Iraq. Turkey has plans to eventually link Moslem Pakistan in a friendship arrangement with Moslem nations on the Mediterranean.

Spain will be included in the Mediterranean pact after it is fully recognised again by the United States and admitted to the United Nations.—United Press.

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COMING TO THE LEE



Mao Tse-tung returns to Peking

London, March 4.

Mao Tse-tung, head of the Chinese People's Government, and his Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, arrived in Peking tonight from the Soviet Union, where they concluded a 30-year treaty of friendship and alliance with Russia, the New China News Agency reported in a message received in London tonight.

Mao arrived in Moscow in the middle of December. He was joined some weeks later by Chou.

The treaty was signed on February 14 by Chou and the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vyshinsky.—Reuter.

HAIL FALLS ON PYRAMIDS

Cairo, March 4.

Hail fell on the Pyramids today. Experts say it was one of few such storms recorded in history. Individual hailstones four centimetres in circumference fell for about eight minutes.—Associated Press.

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U.S. ARMS FOR INDO-CHINA

Washington, March 4.

A reliable diplomatic source said today that when the French aircraft carrier, Dixmude, reaches Norfolk, Virginia, next week, it will load 60 training planes under the arms aid programme and also war materials for Indo-China.

The Dixmude will make two voyages, a total of 120 training planes will be sent to France. The planes are badly needed by French Naval pilots as obsolete Spitfires formerly used have become too dangerous to fly.

Spare parts and other equipment for combating the Communists in Indo-China will also be loaded on the Dixmude and these have been paid for by French free dollars. Other equipment under the arms aid programme may be loaded on the Dixmude if there is room in her holds.—United Press.

Secret message

"We can see that it was not merely a struggle against our country but mainly against the Soviet Union," the Prosecutor continued.

"It is a struggle between the imperialists and the forces of progress and peace."

The Prosecutor said that Louwers tried to send a secret message from prison to friends at the Dutch Legation in Prague.

In it Louwers said, "Cease all deliveries, intervene with the Queen," according to the Prosecutor.

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THE GRAND ALLIANCE

The Belgrade revolt

By Winston Churchill

hoping not to provoke him while steadily dinner-time approaches.

At the end of January, 1941, in these days of growing anxiety, Colonel Donovan, a friend of President Roosevelt, came to Belgrade on a mission from the American Government to sound opinion on the South-Eastern European region. The Ministers and the leading politicians did not dare to speak their minds. Prince Paul declined a proposed visit from Mr. Eden.

There was one exception. An Air Force general named Simovic represented the nationalist elements among the Office Corps of the armed forces. Since December his office in the Air Force headquarters across the river from Belgrade had become a clandestine centre of opposition to German penetration into the Balkans and to the inertia of the Yugoslav Government.

On February 14 Cvetkovic, the Prime Minister, and Markovic obeyed a summons to Berchtesgaden. Together they listened to Hitler's account of the might of his army and to the emphasis on the close relations between Berlin and Moscow. If Yugoslavia would adhere to the Tripartite Pact, Hitler offered, in the event of operations against Greece, not to march through Yugoslavia, but only to use the roads and railways for military supplies. The Ministers returned to Belgrade in sombre mood.

To join the Axis might infuriate Serbia. To fight Germany might cause conflict of loyalty in Croatia, Greece, the only possible Balkan ally was heavily engaged with Italian armies of more than 200,000 men, and was under the menace of imminent German attack. English help seemed doubtful, and at the best symbolic.

Encirclement

In order to help the Yugoslav Government to reach a satisfactory decision, I proceeded with the strategic encirclement of their country. On March 1 Bulgaria adhered to the Tripartite Pact, and the same evening German motorised elements reached the Serbian frontiers. Meanwhile, to avoid provocation, the Yugoslav Army remained unpolished. The hour of choice had now struck.

On March 5 Prince Paul left Belgrade on a secret visit to Berchtesgaden, and under dire pressure undertook verbally that Yugoslavia would follow the example of Bulgaria. On the evening of March 6, the German turn at a meeting of the Royal Council and in separate discussion with political and military leaders, he found opposing views. Debate was violent, but the German ultimatum was real. General Simovic's army was summoned to the White Palace. Prince Paul's residence on the hills above Belgrade, was firm against capitulation. Serbia would not accept such a decision, and the dynasty would be endangered. But Prince Paul had already in effect committed his country.

From London I did what I could to rally the Yugoslav forces. I telegraphed to Dr. Cvetkovic: 22 I telegraphed to Dr. Cvetkovic:

22 March, 41.

Your Excellency: The eventual total defeat of Hitler and Mussolini is certain. No prudent and far-seeing man can doubt this in view of the resolute declared resolves of the British and American democracies. There are only 65 million malignant Huns, most of whom are already engaged in holding down Austrians, Czechs, Poles and many other ancient races. They now bully and pillage. The peoples of the British Empire and of the United States number nearly 200 million in their homelands and British Dominions alone.

We possess the unchallengeable command of the ocean, and with American help will soon obtain decisive superiority in the air. The British Empire and the United States have more wealth and more technical resources and they make more rapid progress than the rest of the world put together. They are determined that the cause of freedom shall not be trampled down nor the tide of world progress turned backwards by the criminal dictators, one of whom has already been irretrievably punctured.

We know that the hearts of all true Serbs, Croats and Slovenes beat for the freedom, integrity and independence of their country, and that they share the forward outlook of the English-speaking world. If Yugoslavia were at this time to stoop to the fate of Rumania, to become a satellite of Bulgaria, and become a accomplice in an attempted assassination of Greece, her ruin will be certain and irreparable. She will not escape, but only postpone the order of her doom. Her fate will be decided after being surrounded and cut off from her allies and supporters.

But on the evening of March 24 Cvetkovic and Markovic crept out of Belgrade from a suburban railway station on the Vienna train. Unknown to public opinion and the Press, they signed the pact with Hitler at Vienna on the next day. When the returned Ministers laid before the Yugoslav Cabinet the text of the pact three colleagues resigned, and rumours of imminent disaster swept through the cafes and conclaves of Belgrade.

I now sent instructions to Mr. Campbell, our Minister in Belgrade.

Pact signed

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Uncertain factor

The minutes of the meeting are found in the Nuremberg records. Hitler described the Yugoslav situation after the upheaval. He said that Yugoslavia was an uncertain factor in the coming action against Greece ("Marita"), and even more in the "Barbarossa" undertaking against Russia later on. He deemed it fortunate that the Yugoslavs had revealed their temper before "Barbarossa" was launched.

The Fuehrer is determined, without waiting for possible loyal declarations of the new Government, to make all preparations in order to destroy Yugoslavia militarily and as a national unit. No diplomatic inquiries will be made, nor ultimatums presented. Assurances of the Yugoslav Government, which cannot be trusted anyhow in the future, will be "taken note of." The attack will start as soon as the means and troops suitable for it are ready.

Actual military support against Yugoslavia is to be requested of Italy, Hungary, and in certain respects of Bulgaria too. Rumania's main task is the protection against Russia. The Hungarian and Bulgarian Ambassadors have already been notified. During the day a message will be addressed to the Duce.

Politically it is especially important that the plan against Yugoslavia is carried out with unmerciful harshness and that the military destruction is done in a lightning-like undertaking. In this way Turkey would become sufficiently frightened and the campaign against Greece later on would be influenced in a favourable way.

The dramatic events of March 27, 1941, in Belgrade upset all hope of a united Balkan group adhering to the Axis. Hungary was directly and immediately affected. Although the main German thrust against the recalcitrant Yugoslavia would clearly come through Rumania, all lines of communication led through Hungarian territory. Almost the first reaction of the German Government to the events in Belgrade was to send the Hungarian Minister in Berlin by air to Budapest with an urgent message to the Hungarian Regent, Admiral Horthy.

Yugoslavia will be annihilated, for she has just renounced publicly the policy of understanding with the Axis. The greater part of the German armed forces must pass through Hungary. But the principal attack will not be made on the Hungarian sector. Here the Hungarian Army should intervene, and in return for its co-operation, Hungary will be able to reoccupy all those former territories which she had been forced at one time to cede to Yugoslavia.

Hungary was bound by a pact of friendship to Yugoslavia signed only in December, 1940. But open opposition to the German demands could only lead to the German occupation of Hungary in the course of the imminent military operations. There was also the temptation of re-occupying the territories on her South-east frontiers which Hungary had lost to Yugoslavia by the Treaty of Trianon.



Give me a Glimpse. "Also taking part in the concert will be the Cathedral choir."

Hollywood film star has just taken her fourth husband. Her children will have some trouble if they decide to visit the land of their four fathers.

The Tramways dispute is said to be suspended until after the decision of the arbitration tribunal is known. For the life of me I can't see why employees and management can't get together once and for all against their common enemy, the travelling public.

Write turn. A local editor is still puzzling over the remark of an acquaintance to whom he remarked, "I have neuritis." "Well," said the acquaintance, "you certainly needed some."

Correspondent to an English newspaper says he saw a crowd of ants pushing a lump of sugar across his lawn. He thinks their idea was to form a stockpile prior to nationalisation.

The small girl taken to her first church service was addressed by the preacher who addressed his flock in resounding tones, waved his arms about and moved from side to side of the pulpit. Finally the child turned and clutched her father's arm. "What do we do if he gets out?" she asked worriedly.

Myrtle's grandfather says a wedding ring is like a tourniquet. It stops your circulation.

Perhaps unfortunately, my explanation of Einstein's new theory is held over owing to curvature of space.

Flaming something or other. "Children," said the teacher, "I want you to write an essay about King Alfred. But don't waste time writing about the burning of the cakes."

One essay read: "King Alfred went and knocked on the door of a lonely cottage in a forest, and was admitted by the farmer's wife. What happened after that I'm not allowed to say."

Communism, says a writer, is essentially sound. And, of course, furry.

"Into Samson and Delilah," Cecil B. DeMille has put all the knowledge and showmanship he's acquired in 38 years of picture making. It's a knockout. The Bible story, you know."

"The upward trend of prices is a matter of some gravity." Only difference is that gravity does have a downward pull.

"Hurry and tell the foreman this trench must be shored—it's dangerous." "He knows. We're just digging him out."

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BRITAIN'S EXPORTS

Economic problems have lately been overshadowed by the British General Election and the stalemate that followed. But they remain in the forefront of all national problems. Britain's exports for the month of January (26 working days) was £176 millions, a figure which outstrips any other recorded. It represented a big improvement on the monthly average for the year 1949, which worked out at £149 million.

One conclusion drawn from these figures by the economic expert Mr. John Kingsley is that since devaluation in September, United Kingdom exporters have continued to make rapid and sustained headway in most foreign markets. Another conclusion is that Britain is now shipping abroad, in terms of value, at least as large an amount of goods as it is buying overseas. Imports for January were valued at a little over £201 millions, against exports and re-exports totalling some £182 millions. But as imports are quoted at the landed cost, which includes freight and insurance for the journey to Britain, one can deduct a sum equal to about 12½ per cent of the total value, to make them more comparable with exports. It is this done, the import figure becomes £176 millions, and the export surplus for the month £6 millions.

At the beginning of 1950 British exporters had achieved another significant goal. It is provisionally estimated that the volume of exports for January was one-sixth above the monthly average volume for 1949. As the volume for 1949 worked out at about 50 per cent above the level of exports in the pre-war year of 1938, this means that the volume of exports in January was about 75 per cent above the level of the last pre-war year.

When the Anglo-American Loan Agreement was signed at the end of 1945, an increase in the volume of exports of 50 per cent above pre-war level was considered the amount necessary to enable the country to afford imports at pre-war level. In January, with exports three-quarters above the pre-war level, imports were still running probably some 10 per cent in volume below the level of 1938; over the whole year of 1949 they were running at 13 per cent below the volume of pre-war. One reason for this is that world prices of goods have become less favourable for Britain than in 1938.

It is true that without devaluation there is no certainty that in January Britain would have been able to send overseas three-quarters more goods than in 1938. But it is also certain that but for devaluation imports would have cost less. The average price for imports fell by 7 per cent between January and September, 1949, and meanwhile the average price of exports was steady, so that the terms of trade were moving in favour of Britain. However, between September and the end of the year the import price average rose by 12 per cent and the terms of trade moved unfavourably.

This development means that in order to sustain the 1949 rate of imports, and perhaps improve on it, as was done in January, it is necessary for British manufacturers and exporters to redouble

Neutral policy

In this atmosphere Prince Paul (first son of King of Yugoslavia) carried the policy of neutrality to its limits. He feared particularly that any move by Yugoslavia or her neighbours might provoke the Germans into a Southward advance into the Balkans.

Prime Minister to Foreign Secretary, 14 January 41. The Cabinet today consider these telegrams from Belgrade about Prince Paul's views. They leave me unchanged. It is for the Greeks to say whether they want Wavell to visit Athens or not. It is the Greeks who must be the judges of the German reactions.

Secondly, if the Germans are coming South they will not require pretexts. They are, it would seem, already acting in pursuance of a carefully thought out plan which one can hardly assume will be hurried or delayed in consequence of any minor movements of ours. The evidence in our possession of the German movements seems overwhelming. In the face of it Prince Paul's attitude looks like that of an unfortunate man in the cage with a tiger.

their efforts. The spirit of the industrial centres indicates that they are ready to do so. There is no defeatism among the Yorkshire men, the iron founders of Teeside, the shipbuilders on the Tyne, and the engineers of the Midlands. Industrialists in all these and other areas which Kingsley visited told him of plans to expand still further their foreign trade, with a special eye on the dollar markets. This determination applies not only to the large firms with established contacts, but also to the innumerable small manufacturers "all over the country" who are helping to restore Britain's role as the world's workshop.

SOVIET PLAN FOR CONQUEST

Hunt for master-mind spy

London, March 4.

The weekly "News of the World" reported today that British Intelligence agents are on the trail of the Russian "master-mind" who supervised Dr. Klaus Fuchs' treachery.

Informers say the agent organised Russia's entire atomic spy ring in Britain and found another atomic expert to replace Dr. Fuchs when he became unreliable.

The "Daily Mail" reported that the British Army Intelligence and the American FBI are on the trail of a second Dr. Fuchs—a scientist who is giving information to the Russians.

The "News of the World" said, "It is known that there was a master mind behind the diabolically clever plan which gave Russia atomic secrets over a vital history-making years."

His identity has been established and his fleeing periodic visits to this country are being investigated in every detail.

Members of Parliament and millions of other Britons have not recovered their peace completely after the conviction of Fuchs.

Several London newspapers have declared that other spies are still at work undermining Western defences.

The uneasy state of mind has developed increasing demands that the British security services and especially the mysterious department known as MI-5 (Military Intelligence-five) once regarded infallible, be thoroughly overhauled.—United Press and Associated Press.

POLLITT ON THE NEXT ELECTION

London, March 4.

The British Communists will fight in the next General Election with all their might in the conditions that prevail at the time. Mr. Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the Party, said today.

He made the announcement in a report to the Executive of the Party which in the recent General Election contested 100 seats but failed to secure a single seat in the new House of Commons.

His report forecast, "Big business in Australia, Canada and especially the United States of America will use every form of pressure on the present reactionary Parliament to form a Coalition Government on the basis of a more reactionary policy which will mean, in fact, a complete and final betrayal of Socialism by the right wing Labour leaders."

The report, predicting that there will be an intensification of the class struggle, said that the great issues would be settled not in the arena of this reactionary Parliament but by workers' mass struggles in the factories and streets.—Reuter.

FAMINE THREAT IN CHINA

Seoul, March 4.

James D. Van Patten, head of the former U. S. Information Centre in Peking, said today that Chinese Communist papers estimated that famine might cause as many as 40,000,000 deaths this spring and summer.

Cities are doing well, he said, but the peasantry is already hungry and the next two months will be the worst.—Associated Press.

Building of colossal fleet of aeroplanes ASIA MAIN OBJECTIVE

London, March 4.

Soviet Russia, in its plans for world conquest, is now building a huge air fleet, producing 3,000 to 3,500 planes a month or 36,000 to 42,000 a year.

The International Committee for the Study of European Questions' research group, supported by European Allied statesmen, reported that about 12,000 military aircraft appeared to have been produced last year.

They included 5,000 fighters, about 5,000 or 6,000 heavy and medium bombers and 2,000 other types.

Most of the fighters and a third, or perhaps half the bombers, were jets, according to the Committee's report.

Russia's present main objective is to absorb South Asia within the next two years, thus dominating nearly half the world population—a victory without precedent in history.

"The Soviet Union is preparing to follow it in Africa and in Europe, where Germany constitutes her first objective, because she knows that if Germany passes under Communist domination the rest of Europe would not be able to resist for long."

The report, dealing with Russia's Cominform activities, is widely distributed to subscribers in the United States and in Europe by the Committee which is backed by such persons as M. Paul Reynaud, former French Prime Minister, and Lord Vansittart, former diplomatic adviser to the British Foreign Office.

The Committee repeated that nearly 1,000 officials staffed the Russian Cominform headquarters at Bucharest, running a series of departments designed to spread the Communist philosophy throughout the world by religion, education, infiltration or any other means.

Methods of financing local parties included exporting goods at a loss to certain countries so that funds could be accumulated there. According to recent information, the report stated, "the Czechoslovakian industry recently sold motor cars at half the cost price in the Orient and some European countries to obtain foreign currency."

Soviet strategy in Southern Asia, the report predicted, includes the organisation of "armies of liberation" and reinforcements from Communist China for guerrilla armies in countries with common frontiers—India, China, Siam and Burma.

"If Indo-China was overrun by Communist attack from outside or inside, the strategic rampart of Southern Asia would collapse and it seems almost certain that the neighbouring countries would rapidly pass under Communist domination."

If the Communists won control of Burma and Siam, Indo-China's whole defence could be taken from behind with the defending forces split between two frontiers, the report commented.

Burma and Siam. "According to the most recent information that is exactly the plan which Moscow and the Chinese Communists have now decided to follow."

"It can, therefore, be expected that in the near future the main and most powerful Communist effort will be set against Burma and Siam."

"It appears very doubtful that in the present state of affairs the Governments of Burma and Siam would be capable of resisting strong Communist action."

"India herself—whatever may be said—is more and more menaced by Communist activity."

"The peril will be even greater in a few months from now when Communist China, which is preparing to invade Tibet, will then have a common frontier with India."

United action needed

"Under these conditions the plan recently drawn up by the nations of the Commonwealth at the Colombo Conference will be of no avail because it comes too late," the report commented.

"It will take years to improve the economic and social conditions and the Communist effort to conquer these countries will develop in the immediate future."

"Only a complete unity of action of the democratic Powers, consisting in wide military support given without delay to the non-Communist forces in these countries—particularly to the French Army of Indo-China—can save the situation by urgently establishing a barrage under the protection of which the economic position may be improved."—Reuter.

Live artery

The Committee said the Russian air fleet will act as a "live artery" of the Communist empire extending from the River Oder in Germany to the Japan Sea.

The aerial fleet is a civil network which extends from West to East; from Albania and Sweden in Europe to Kamchatka and the Bering Straits in Siberia, to Mukden and Shanghai. In the South its planes land at Tehran, across the Caspian Sea; land at Kabul, Afghanistan; Sinkiang province, where the Russians have built three aerodromes, Mongolia and Korea.

This network of more than 80,000 kilometres includes 98 airfields or landing grounds with others in construction, the report said.

The various types of planes include troop carriers, cargo planes, artillery workshop planes and even oil tanker planes.

Pilots are being recruited from Soviet satellite countries including Hungary, Bulgaria and even Germany.

"The air fleet is equally important from the political, commercial and military viewpoints," the report said. From the political viewpoint it assures liaison between all Communist countries, and it carries thousands of political agents who are transported for propaganda work in the Middle East, Pakistan or Burma. It also flies civilian technicians in industry and aeronomics who are flown across Siberia all over the Far East. From the commercial viewpoint it assures transport of gold and funds as well as various kinds of machinery.

From the military viewpoint the air fleet is highly important, the report said. The Soviet forces that in wartime Russia armies in Europe and Asia will have to act—independently, each depending on different types of economy to support it. The air fleet will assure them of being well supplied.—Reuter and United Press.

HK PLANE DECISION PROTEST

London, March 4.

Sir Oliver Franks, British Ambassador in Washington, may be asked to make clear to the American Government Britain's attitude that she cannot interfere with a Hong Kong court decision to transfer 71 aircraft to the Chinese Communist People's Government.

A Foreign Office spokesman disclosed in London today that Britain had received a strong American note of protest against the decision. This was in addition to the protest made locally by the American Consul-General.

The British view is that the Government can in no way interfere for political reasons with the decision of the Hong Kong court which was taken on purely legal grounds.

The planes, formerly the property of the Chinese Nationalists, have been grounded in Hong Kong since their crews went over to the Communists last November.

The American Government has protested to Britain against releasing the planes to the Communists, claiming that they were bought by Major-General Claire Chennault, former Commander of the American "Flying Tigers" volunteer air squadron in China, two months before Britain recognised the Peking Government.—Reuter.

CNAC LOSE CASE

San Francisco, March 4.

Superior Judge Preston Devine today granted a \$113,777 default judgment against the China National Aviation Corporation on behalf of the Glen V. Pierce Company at San Carlos, California.

The judgment was for merchandise and parts sold and delivered to the Chinese airline prior to the Communist victory in China. Judge Devine ordered an attachment to be levied on the local bank account of the Chinese firm whose headquarters is in Hong Kong.—United Press.

Attack on Vietnam attack on France

New Delhi, March 4.

M. L. Pignon, French High Commissioner in Indo-China, said here today that if there is a regular Chinese Communist invasion of Indo-China, it will be a casus belli for an international war.

An attack against Vietnam would be considered by the French as an attack on France herself, he said.

M. Pignon was addressing a Press conference here on his way back to Indo-China after a visit to Paris, and was replying to correspondents' questions.

Asked whether the new set-up in Indo-China will be able successfully to resist Communism in Indo-China, M. Pignon said: "Yes, the three states of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia have more moral and material power than they had before" and added, "This material power is increasing daily."—Reuter.

Communal rioting flares up again

Colcutta, March 4.

New outbreaks of Hindu-Moslem fighting in India's West Bengal have resulted in 18 killed, at least 10 wounded and 95 arrests, the Government said tonight.

Sixteen were killed on Friday night in riots between Moslems and Hindus at Telinpara, near Chandernagore, North of Calcutta. Jute mill workers firing on one another were dispersed by the police who used their guns. A curfew was imposed.

The battle was set off when a Hindu was attacked in Chander nagore, French settlement which voted to accede to India last summer.

In North East Calcutta, a fire-cracker exploded in a house where explosives were being manufactured. In the mistaken impression that a Moslem had thrown the explosive, an angry crowd began looting and burning. The police shot and killed a Moslem who was in the act of stabbing a Hindu. Ten persons were injured and 70 arrested.

In another area, the police fired four rounds and dispersed battling Hindus and Moslems. One Hindu was killed and 25 persons arrested.

Nearly 2,000 Hindus, trying to leave the Pakistan State of East Bengal, were reported here today to have been prevented from leaving because they could not show certificates that they had paid income taxes. Official confirmation was lacking.

Nearly 2,000,000 of the province's 14,000,000 Hindus have fled since the partition of India.

A new exodus of Hindus from East Bengal has started since a recent upsurge of Hindu-Moslem violence in which hundreds have been killed. India's Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, is coming to West Bengal on Monday for an inspection of troubled areas. The Pakistan Governor-General, Khwaja Nazimuddin, is to make a tour of East Bengal at the same time.—Associated Press.

EARTH HAS A "TAIL"

London, March 4.

The earth has a gaseous "tail" of at least 60,015,000 feet stretching out into space, Soviet scientists have discovered, according to a Tass message received in London.

The scientific academician, Vasil Fessenkov, claimed to have measured this "tail" which is always pointed in a direction away from the sun, he said, in a lecture to the Soviet Academy of Science. He refuted the theory of "four geologists and Swedish", that the "tail" was caused by a conglomeration of meteorite particles. It was caused, he said, by gases escaping from the upper layers of the earth's atmosphere.

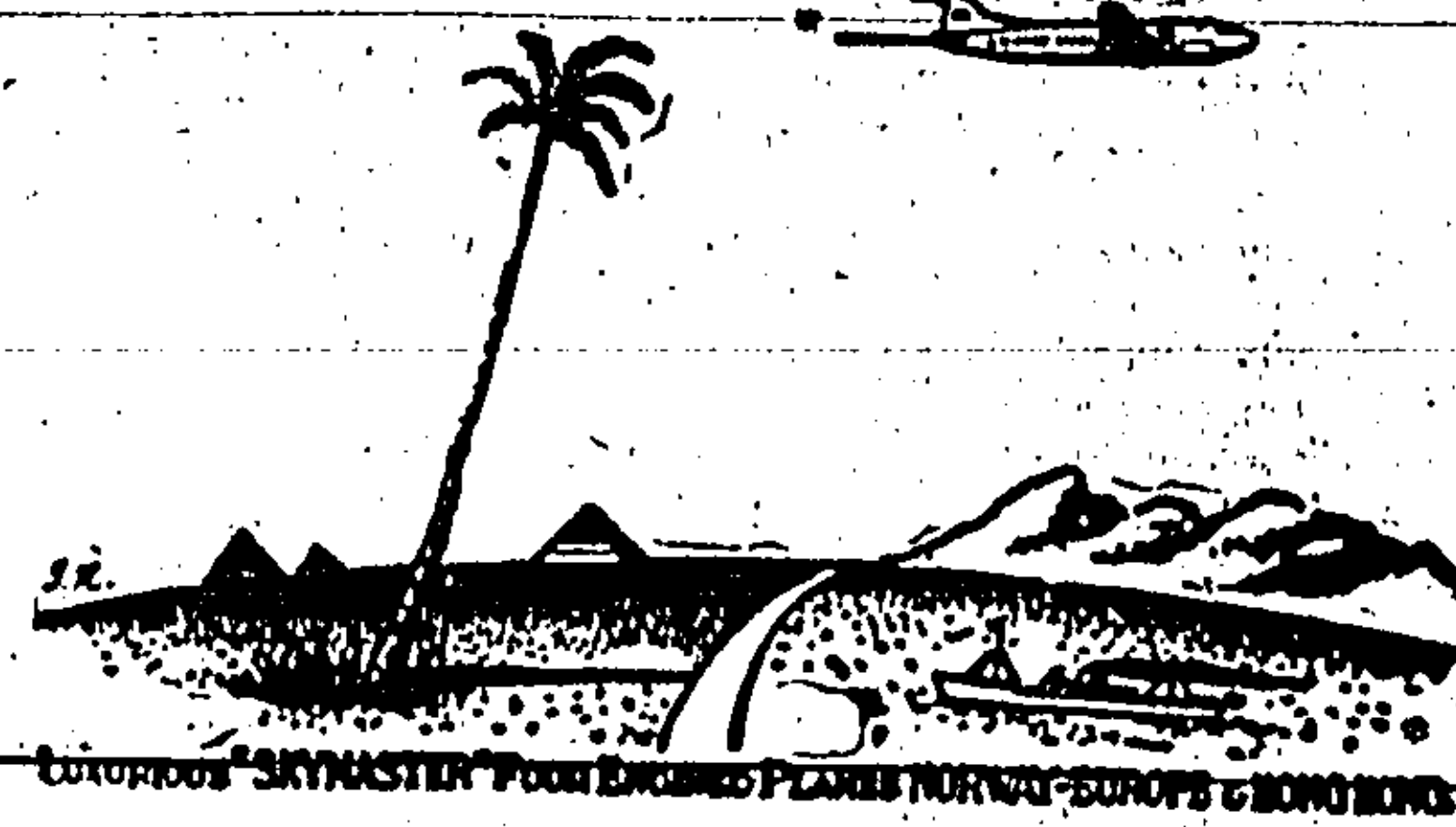
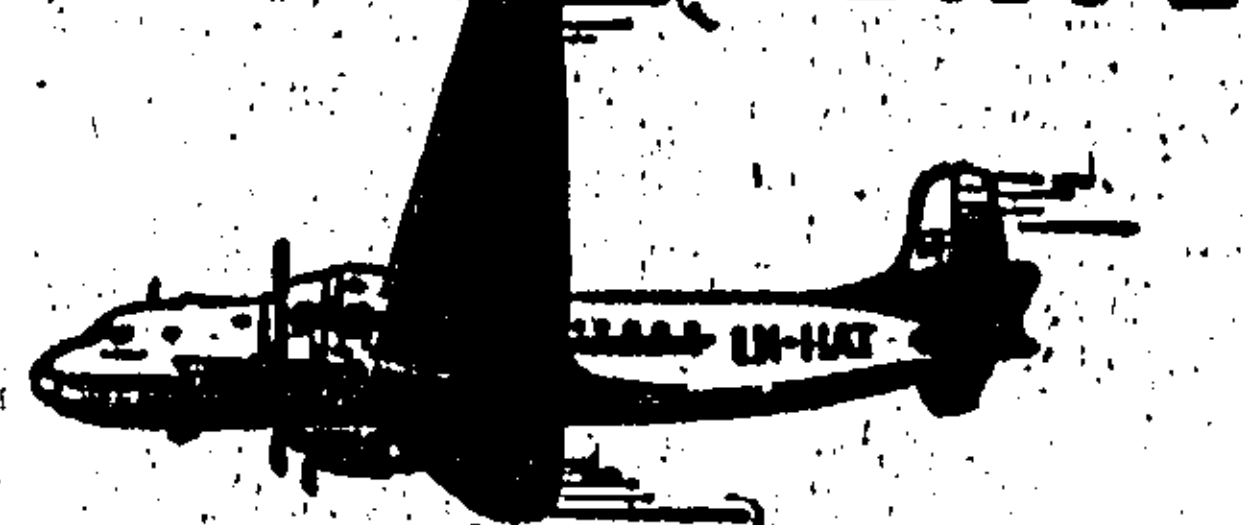
Another Soviet astronomer academician, Grigori Shain, claimed that he and his assistants had photographed for the first time the central nucleus of the gigantic galactic constellation—the "Milky Way"—about which only indirect data was hitherto available. This had revealed its characteristics and disclosed its influences on the solar system, he said.—Reuter.

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Champaign, Illinois, March 4.

The University of Illinois announced today that its new 300,000-volt betatron has produced mesons—mysterious "glue" that holds atoms together. The machine fired X-rays into a stick of carbon and a considerable abundance of mesons showed up on a special photographic plate.—United Press.

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Refugee jumps to death from plane

Zurich, March 4.—A Yugoslav refugee, who had been refused entry into England at Northolt Airport, today threw himself out of the Swiss aeroplane which was taking him back to Zurich.

The man, whose name was Markovic, had stated at Northolt that he would commit suicide if he was refused permission to remain in Britain.

On the way back to Zurich, the man suddenly got up just as lunch was being served on the plane. He handed his tray of food to the stewardess, opened the plane's door and jumped out.

The incident occurred North East of St. Quentin, according to the Swiss air authorities.

Officials at Northolt Airport, London, declined to say why the man had been refused permission to remain in Britain.—Reuter.

RADIO

Radio Hong Kong broadcasts on a frequency of 815 kilocycles per second and on 932 megacycles per second in the 31 meter band.

H.K.T. 12.10—Broadcast for School—English—
"Silas Marner" The Novel by George Eliot. (Part 2) "Treasure Regained" (DICTTS)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.32—Light Variety with Patti Page—
"The Song of the Swaying Palm"

1.00—Anton and the Paramount Theatre Orchestra (With Organ)

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcement—
"The Song of the Swaying Palm"

1.25—Light Orchestral Selections.

2.00—Close Down.

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.02—Children's Half Hour—Conducted by Jack Frost. (Studio)

6.30—Portuguese half hour. (Studio)

6.45—The State Opening of Parliament. (London Relay).

7.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

7.15—"Hill Billy" Masqueraders—introduced by Raymond Mulholland.

7.30—"The Record"—Presented by Bonnie Gibbons. (Studio)

8.00—"From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay)

8.15—Linda Carter Talks on Films. (Radio)

8.25—"I Like What I Like"—Presented by Jack Wild. (Studio)

8.55—"Concerto"—Max Truett's Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 261. (Studio)

9.00—The German Night. (Radio)

9.30—"It's Dancing Time"—With the Dance Orchestra of 1st Batti Camerlioni, by Klaf Perlamon of the Commanding Officer. (Relay from the Forces Education Centre, Kowloon)

10.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

10.15—Weather Report.

10.15—"Spanish Nights"—introduced by "Bettina". (Studio)

10.30—"From the Editor's Desk"—"Byline" (Debates). Symphony Orchestra Conducted by John Harbottle.

10.45—Music for Dancing.

11.15—Weather Report, World News and Home News. (London Relay Recorded)

11.30—Close Down.

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A.M.
7.00—Up With The Sun.
7.15—Setting Up Exercises.
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8.00—News & Weather Forecast.
8.15—Random Rhythm.
8.45—A Programme for Women.
9.00—Morning Music.
9.30—Console & Keyboard.
10.00—Music For All.
11.00—Alliance Melodies.
11.30—Parade of Rhythm.

P.M.
12.00—H.K. Stock Exchange.
12.15—Tune Time.
12.32—Piano Call.
1.00—Piano.
1.15—News.
1.30—Orchestral Concert.
2.00—Afternoon Musical.
4.00—Slim Bryant and His Wildcats.
4.15—Today's Choice.
4.30—Vocally Yours.
5.00—Music Makers.
5.15—Children's Corner.
5.30—Harrison Hall.
5.45—Radio Headlines.
6.00—Rediffusion Request Show.
6.30—"The Jumpin' Jacks".
6.45—"Do You Remember".
7.00—B.B.C. News.
7.10—Local News.
7.25—Candlelight and Silver.
8.00—"Romantic Cycles".
8.15—Sammy Kaye's Orchestra.
8.30—Allen Roth's Symphony of Melody.
9.00—B.B.C. News.
9.10—Local News.
9.15—Bing Sings.
9.30—"The King's Theatre. Quiz Programme".
10.00—Music and Moonlight.
10.15—"Variety Bandbox".
11.15—B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra.
11.45—Stardust.
12.01—Close Down.

ANGLO-FRENCH WAR GAMES

Paris, March 4.—The British and French fleets, key cogs in the North Atlantic defence machinery, go to sea next week to test their ability to mesh together.

Extensive manoeuvres have been plotted for squadrons of the two fleets in the Western Mediterranean.

The main objects, said a French authority, will be to practice co-operation between the ships of the two fleets and to perfect communications systems between the two navies.

Rear-Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, former Viceroy of India and wartime Commander in South East Asia, will be in command of the British squadron.

Vice-Admiral Lambert, commanding the French fleet, will fly his flag in the aircraft carrier Arromanches. Other French units will include the cruiser Montcalm, a number of destroyers, submarines and frigates.—Associated Press.

ADENAUER GIVES WARNING ON THE SAAR AGREEMENTS

Bonn, March 4.

The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, today appealed to Britain and the United States for help in his campaign against France's agreements with the Saar, concluded yesterday.

He claimed that the agreement can be legal only if the British and American Governments approve them.

If the situation does not change, Germany's trust in the West will be severely shaken, he warned.

Dr. Adenauer told a Press conference here that the agreements under which France secured the right to exploit under lease the Saar mines for 50 years, were a mere hunger for gold, endangered the aims of the Marshall Plan and were decisions against Europe.

"If we can speak for Berlin and the Eastern zone then we are also entitled to speak for the Germans on the Saar", Dr. Adenauer declared.

He said that the West German Government was particularly affected by the agreements because the Western Powers had hitherto always maintained, that the Bonn Government also represented those Germans who did not belong to the West German Republic.

"The Saar agreement is in contrast with the declarations made by the Governments of the United States, Britain and France", he claimed.

"These statements have explicitly emphasised that Germany's borders could only be changed by a peace treaty."

Changed view

Previously, the Western Allies had maintained the view that any alteration in Germany's frontiers should follow from the peace treaty. They had said so in the Potsdam agreement and again last year when Germany was required to make frontier rectifications in the West.

The American Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, clearly informed him that France did not have a free hand in the Saar but that the matter was reserved for the peace treaty, Dr. Adenauer said.

In Paris last autumn, the Chancellor added, when France demanded that the Saar Government should enter the European Council, this was related by the American and British Governments on the

ground that the Saar was not an independent country.

In the discussions leading to the Petersberg agreement last November between the Western Powers and Western Germany, the three Allies repeated that the Saar question should be decided in the peace treaty.

Need approval

Last autumn M. Schuman had said that France's interests in the Saar were only economic and that politically the Saar should return to Germany. He did not know why M. Schuman had abandoned the view which he had voluntarily given them.

The France-Saar conventions could only be legal if they received the approval of the other Allies.

"We appeal, therefore, to the British and to the American Governments as well as to France," he said.

He recalled that Mr. Acheson had informed him from Paris that the United States pledged itself to support French views in the Saar but would undertake no obligations until the peace treaty. Mr. Acheson emphasised that France should not have carte blanche, Dr. Adenauer said.

French appeal

The French Deputy High Commissioner, M. Armand Berard, tonight appealed to the

German nation to consider the Saar agreements with cool heads.

Contrary to German ideas that the agreements represented a victory for French nationalism, they reflected moderate French opinion. Nor was it true that they anticipated the peace treaty, he said at a Press conference.

He urged the German Press to bear in mind that the Saar question was too grave and likely to have such serious repercussions on Franco-German relations that it should not be judged lightly, nor should the Germans allow themselves to be swayed by their passions.—Reuter.

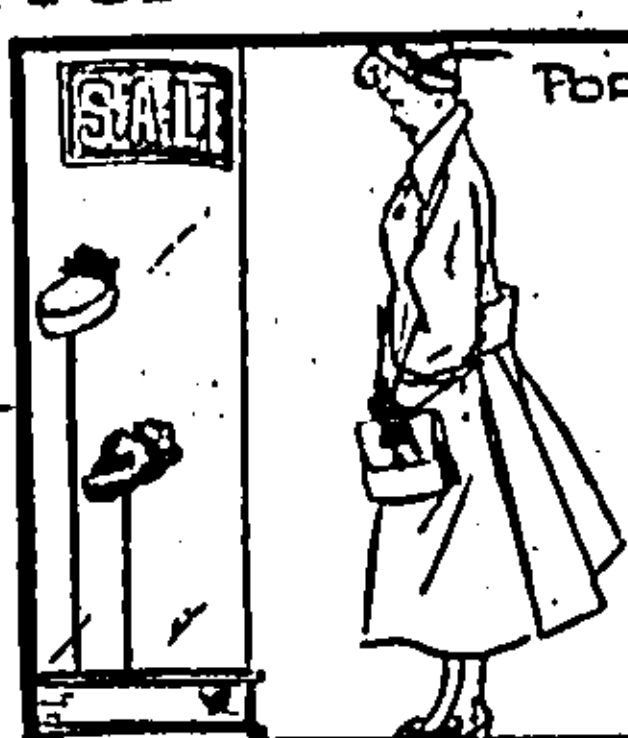
TAIPEH AS NW AIRLINES STOP?

St. Paul, March 4.—Northwest Airlines is considering a stop at Taipei, on its Tokyo-Manila route, President Croll Hunter said today.

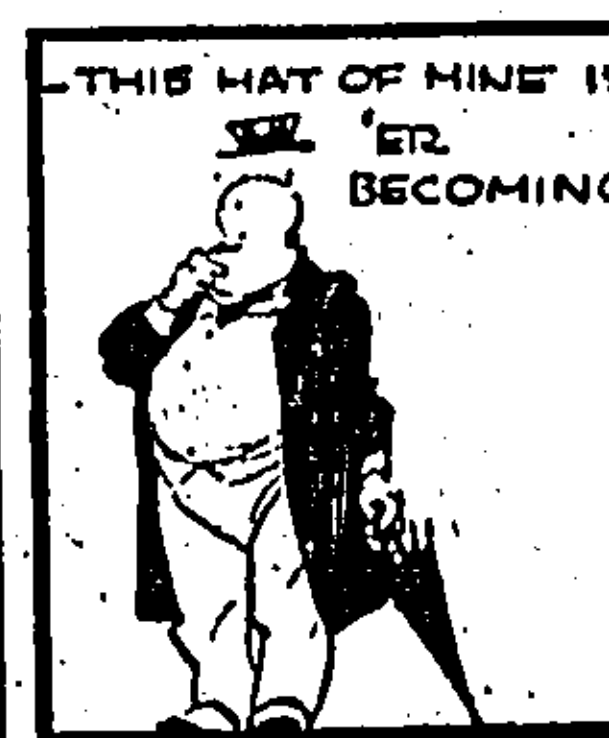
"The operation has not been set up," Mr. Hunter said, "but it might be advantageous to make a stop at Taipei. If the airline decides to carry out the plan, service will start in the near future, Mr. Hunter added.

A survey flight will be made sometime next week. Northwest Airlines made stops at Shanghai before the Chinese Communists gained control.—Associated Press.

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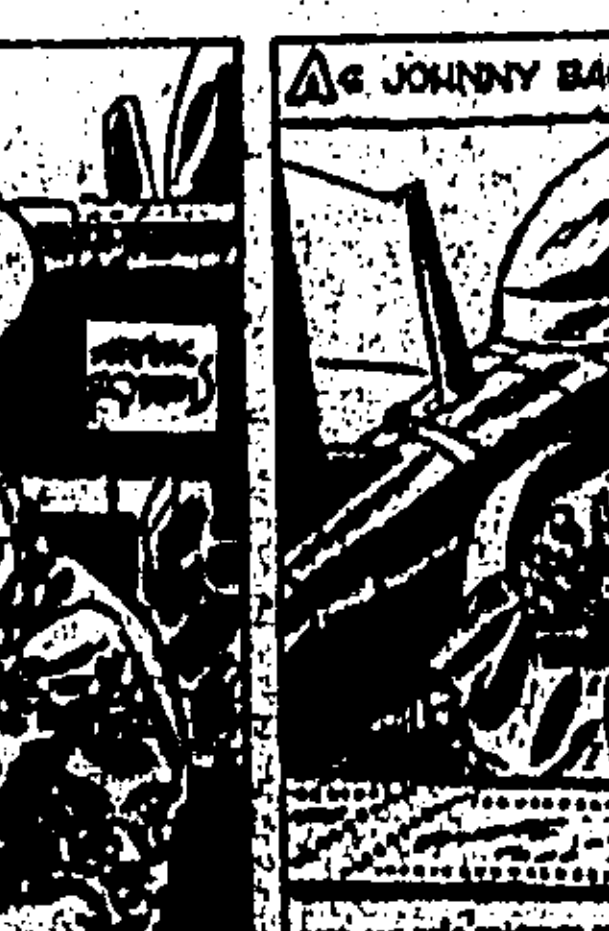
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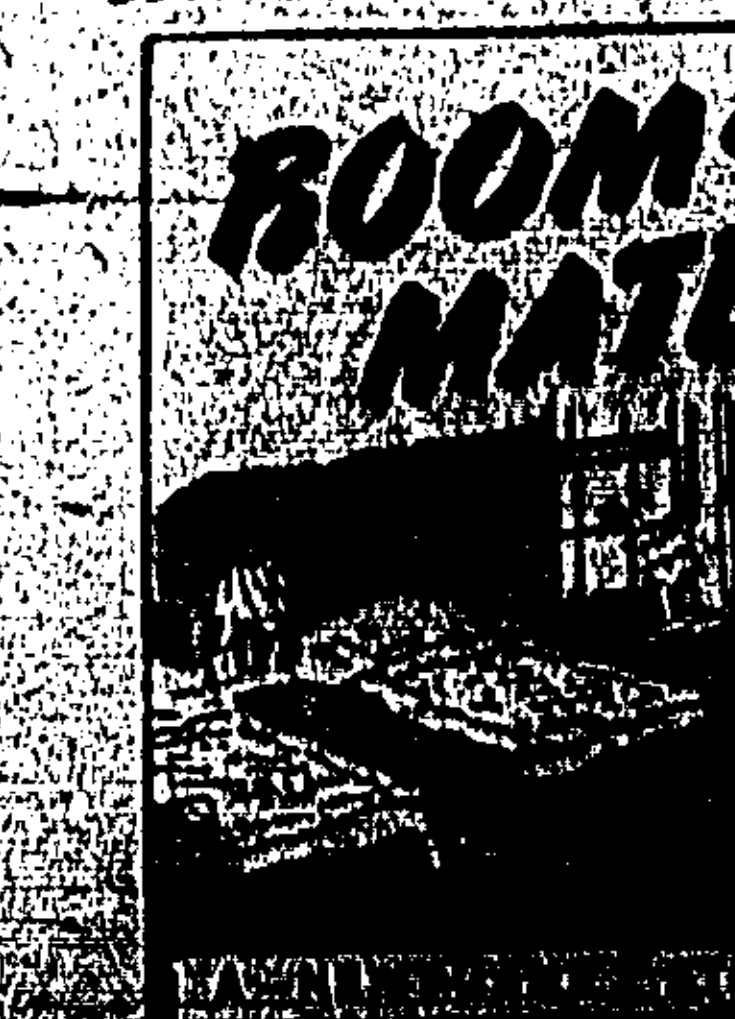
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| "FUKIEN" | Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe | 5 p.m. 9th Mar. |
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PAKISTAN TRADE WITH GERMANY

Frankfurt, March 4. The German-Pakistan trade agreement, providing for a trade of about 42,000,000 marks each way, was signed here today by Mr. Hasnie Haswici, Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry for Economics in Karachi, and Dr. Hilger Non Scherpenberg, head of the West German Economic Ministry's trade department for the Sterling Area.

The Pakistan High Commissioner in Britain, Mr. H. Rahimtoola, was present.

Under the new agreement, which a German spokesman said is only a frame for liberal trade between the two countries, Pakistan will export primarily jute, cotton, wheat, hides and skins.

Western Germany will supply capital goods, machinery, tools, chemicals and pharmaceuticals.

Today's negotiations failed to decide on prices and delivery terms of Pakistan wheat to Western Germany, the spokesman said.

This was because Western Germany's present wheat needs do not justify importing as much as Pakistan expects to sell, he added.

"We made good progress in our talks and hope to agree on the wheat question in about a week," he said.—Reuter.

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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Hong Kong, March 2, 1950.

The Marshall Aid chief, Paul G. Hoffman, is prepared to back his plan for a European Payments Union with \$600,000,000 in 1950-51. Top-level officials expect the set-up of such a Union, regarded as urgent for European recovery, to begin operating within a few months.

The Union would basically involve the creation of a central clearing house to settle periodically trading debts between the countries of Western Europe.

It would end bilateral trade deals in Europe. Each country's deficits with its neighbours would be offset against its surpluses with others so that only a single net settlement between its Central Bank and the clearing house would be necessary.

Settlements would be in hard currency—gold or dollars. Trade deficits would be financed through the Union entirely on a multilateral basis.

Economic Co-operation Administration officials believe that the European currencies are now on a sufficiently realistic exchange level not to require revaluation.

British problem

Britain, it is recognised here, poses a special problem through her dual ties in Europe on the one hand and in the Commonwealth and Sterling Area on the other.

She is certain to approach the plan for such a payments union with extreme caution.

But Mr. Hoffman and Dr. Dirk U. Sikker, newly appointed head of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, are optimistic.

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A surge of buying today was the first response to overnight news of the coal strike settlement. In the face of heavy profit-taking sales, which developed almost immediately, a little progress was made. More than 50 issues held at their highest prices for 1949 to 50. Steels, rails and motors were bought and sold heavily. Transfers were 940,000. Among gainers were Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal, Chrysler, U.S. Steel, Goodrich, Anaconda Copper, Dow Chemical, Allied Chemical, Barnsdall Oil.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 74.49; 20 Industrials 204.71; 15 Rails 55.60; Utilities 43.01.

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Kennecott Copper 53
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| "ANDREAS" | GALVESTON | In Port |
| "NORLAGE" | GALVESTON | 14th Mar. |
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HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

In my log

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR ENDS

With this 51st issue we begin our second year. It was on March 7, 1949, that we made our debut in this page, bent on ferreting out the numerous Waterfront "mysteries" and enlightening the curious when ever possible.

There have been the usual ups and downs in our varied quest—now and then compelled to take that proverbial pinch of salt but more often than not to come out triumphant.

It is with personal gratification that we know that there are more people who are now better acquainted with our Waterfront and its "Features".

We are indebted to our "contacts" who have been most helpful.

Altogether, it has been a pleasant and interesting year.

In retrospect... Looking back through the weeks, so many things we couldn't help recalling with quailms certain episodes which provided the lighter side of our more serious pursuits.

One which never fails to send a shiver up the spine of a reader on recollection was the two-minute ordeal when we dangled some 20 feet above the sea—one hand gripping for dear life the deck rail of the LST North Star, the other holding a camera.

Below—the cause of it all, our writer, slumped on a cot, concerned as the manoeuvre to clear away after lugging the narrow steel companionway ladder out of position.

That first minute was nerve-wracking in that the foot-wide ladder, hanging perpendicularly, swayed perilously with only one foot in position. We had one foot on a rung with the other in mid-air.

We were hauled up by a grinning seaman—none the worse but a little shaken.

As it soon developed, that was only the beginning. Locked inside a cabin with four dissident persons we had a clandestine one-hour interview which created a furore after we "broke" the story.

A "frightening" moment. A brief but very frightening moment when we suddenly looked out through a porthole aboard the Hunan and saw ourselves sailing out to sea.

"Slowway"—"shanghaied"—such thoughts increased our confusion.

Only an hour before when we embarked she was alongside Custodian Wharf. Absorbed in soliciting material from personnel in their quarters we did not notice that the steamer was under way.

Our grief was momentary—the Hunan was only steaming to her buoy mid-stream.

But we had had a shock.

The juggling "26s." Our dreaded moment—leaving the page early on Monday morning and see that the "26s" had behaved themselves overnight.

One never knows what they will do—break the queue; join the wrong crowd or bring in an unwelcome guest.

When used well, they bring glowing praise; but they betray as readily; these many find to their cost.

Our apprehension has been justified on and off. Why, only recently the eccentric "26s" some know them as the Alphabet—made a poor show of themselves. We knew they were confirmed "T's" and that their pranks are just a neglected bad habit.

Business of the week. Coming to the Log of the first week of our second year... we have "bad" news for those who frequent the Aberdeen Marine Restaurants.

It is understood that these floating eating establishments, permanently anchored in Aberdeen Harbour, have suspended business as from the beginning of this month.

Licence has been cancelled because of fire hazards. Harbour owes its present popularity as a suburban resort to these Marine Restaurants, which have attracted thousands of tourists and residents since they made their debut more than a year ago, after obtaining approval from the Urban Council.



As she looks from the air today, Aberdeen Harbour is reminiscent of the pioneering days when myriads of native craft cluttered the placid precincts to trade with the foreigners. In the foreground can be seen the picturesque Chinese hill-cemetery (right); the naval dockyard (below); the Marine Restaurants in the middle anchored in a line; and Ap Li Chau (Duck's Tongue Island) which forms the bulwark against typhoons. (China Mail Photo).

Aberdeen harbour—where history was made

Often unsung is the sheltered narrow deep-water harbour of Aberdeen—"Little Hong Kong" (Heung Kong Chai)—where more than a century ago history was made which subsequently led to the hoisting of the Union Jack over the Island.

Today Aberdeen Harbour still plays a key role—it is the largest and most populated of the 13 fishing centres in British waters. Some 20,000 fishermen and their families, comprising two-fifths of the total floating population in Hong Kong, eke out a unique existence there.

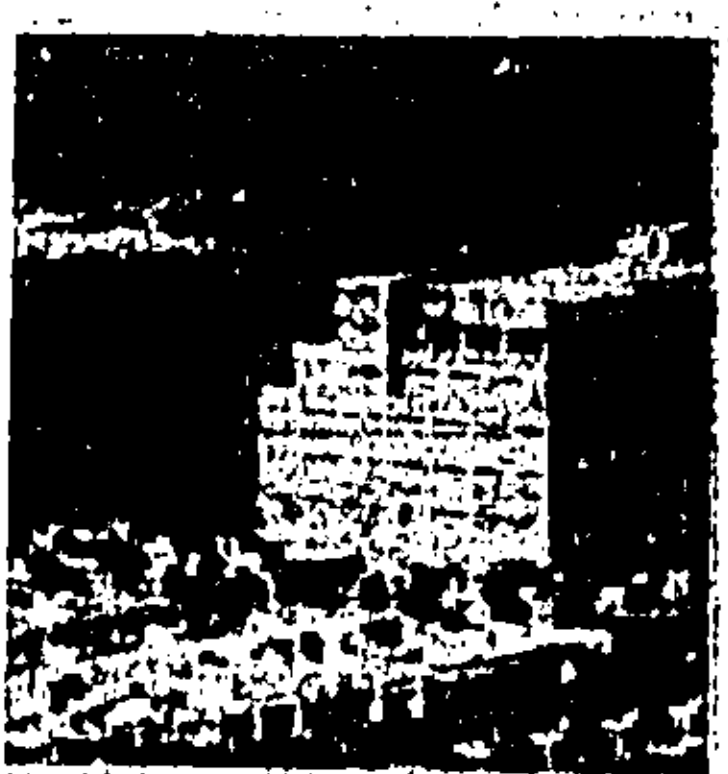
To a resident—a well-informed one—Aberdeen conjures up such exciting thoughts as having a novel dinner aboard a marine restaurant; the breath-taking sight of myriads of native craft of varied types cluttering in a maze; the terrace Chinese hill-cemetery reminiscent of pre-Maya grandeur; and a refreshing evening drive to one of the Colony's suburban resorts.

To a tourist having his first glimpse of "the mystical Orient" the natural harbour provides a spectacular sight-seeing tour, which will be a memorable one savouring of "something Chinese."

Aberdeen Harbour—the first site of the Colony—was the haunt of throat-slitting pirates; wily smugglers, docile farmers and stone-cutters and a number of itinerant fishermen during the pre-Hong Kong days.

Swashbuckling and swartly sailors of the buccannier element mixed with the villagers of Aberdeen "terrorising" the village with their "orgies" and drunken brawls.

History was made in 1830 when Captain Charles Elliot (RN),



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His Majesty's Chief Superintendent of Trade, mustered all available shipping and personnel in Aberdeen—then a refuge to British traders driven there by the hostile Chinese attitude towards foreigners—and launched his gallant "farmhand" to touch off the prelude to the Opium War which subsequently—two years later—led to the cession of the Island to Britain in 1841.

Explanations as to the origin of the name Hong Kong vary. One which seems plausible is that the first colonisers were attracted by the magnificent sight presented by the numerous cascades of silvery hill water decorating the range facing the sea.

The bay was aptly called Waterfall Bay. The words "heung" (fragrant) and "kong" (streams or harbour) were chosen by the early arrivals to dub the island Heung Kong, which—through the passage of time became Hong Kong.

Whether the choice of the word "heung" was provoked by the characteristic "fish" odour permeating the air, or whether it was a natural impulse at the sight of the beautiful green foliage serving as background to the waterfalls—has been a matter of conjecture through the decades.

However the reasons why the Aberdeen Harbour was chosen as a sanctuary by the British pioneers are obvious—it is nearer to the open sea and furthest from the mainland where hostile eyes then glared at foreign craft. Moreover, the temperature is normally lowered by cool South Westerlies in summer.

Aberdeen today is still reminiscent of the days of yore. The first naval dockyard is operating as usual but on a more modern scale. Hope Dock and Lamont Dock—originally served Captain Elliot's fleet in the late first half (1839-43) of the 19th century—are still as busy.

Fishing village at the edge of Ap Li Chau Island—the harbour's natural bulwark against strong winds—carries on its traditional livelihood but on a more subdued note than their buccannier predecessors.

The harbour is still as deep with the top-level mark at 48 feet mid-stream. Some time ago

First come, first served

That is the basis for the berthing of vessels calling at Manila.

Shipping companies have been asked to submit advance particulars covering cargo tonnage and other pertinent data so that docking recommendations can be made to ensure efficient discharge on available piers.

This decision was recently agreed upon by Manila port authorities and representatives of foreign shipping organisations. The conference was called following reports that certain shipping lines had applied for exclusive berthing privileges.

Two large ocean-going "laid-up" steamers were towed into the harbour to be scrapped. Surrounded by small native craft as they lie alongside one side of the harbour, they are being slowly denuded.

War target. During the war, Aberdeen Harbour was a target of enemy bombers, which caused heavy damage.

Shortly after the Liberation, a harbour innovation made its debut in Aberdeen—the floating restaurants catering to city folks and tourists. Reconvered barges and touched up into a lush setting, these marine restaurants have been the main attraction of the harbour. There are four elaborately decorated establishments anchored permanently in mid-stream.

Besides being the hub of the Colony's fishing industry, Aberdeen is gradually becoming the cultural centre of the floating community. There are educational establishments both for shore and floating students—the curricula include meteorology, fisheries, navigation, net-making and kindred subjects.

The Aberdeen Industrial School—run by missionaries—is typical of this 20th century movement towards enlightening the Aberdeen residents.

Aberdeen is accessible by bus, taxi, launch and ferry.

Shipping activity

Marked decline in certain aspects of the Colony's shipping activity in February was shown by statistics issued by the Marine Department over the week-end.

Compared with January figures, there were less arrivals; 13,822 passengers disembarked; 163,548 tons of cargo were discharged; 65 departures; 6,820 persons left port and 28,228 tons of cargo were loaded.

Last month's statistics reported 549 (913,257 M.R. tons) ships arrived with 44,981 passengers and 288,913 tons of cargo while 552 ships cleared port with 54,511 passengers and 132,287 tons of cargo.

Even "ice" bunker was filled during February—the figure compared with 6,110 tons coal (9,068 in January) and 19,040 drums oil (18,741).

British shipping last month had 240 (353,408 M.R. tons) ships calling here with 23,537 passengers and 1,09,917 tons of cargo. Those that cleared port under the Red Ensign totalled 240 (353,408 M.R. tons) carrying 22,404 people and 67,502 tons of cargo.

River vessels of British registry did more business in February compared with their ocean-going counterparts—132 river vessels arrived with 19,011 passengers. The 153 departures took away 27,228 passengers and 1,09,917 tons of cargo. Sixteen ships cleared port in ballast, while 15 left empty. There were 1,087 local emigrants. There were altogether 16 nationalities represented by the ships in port during the month.

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| "BENLAWACH" | U.K. via Singapore | 7th Mar. |
| "BENVENUE" | do | 14th Mar. |
| "BENVANNOC" | do | 21st Mar. |
| "BENLAWER" | do | 28th Mar. |
| "BENNATOW" | do | 31st Mar. |
| "BENNEVIS" | do | 1st Apr. |
| "BENNEVIS" | do | 12th Apr. |
| "BENNEVIS" | do | 20th Apr. |
| "BENRUACHAN" | do | 28th Apr. |
| "BENWYV" | do | 5th May |

SAILINGS

| SHIP | TO | DATE |
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| "BENNATOW" | London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull | 21st Apr. |
| "BENVENUE" | do | 18th Mar. |
| "BENVANNOC" | Genoa, Avonmouth, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull | 28th Mar. |
| "BENNEVIS" | do | 25th Apr. |
| "BENWYV" | do | 12th May |
| "BENLAWER" | Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre and Antwerp | 4th Apr. |
| "BENRUACHAN" | do | 3rd May |

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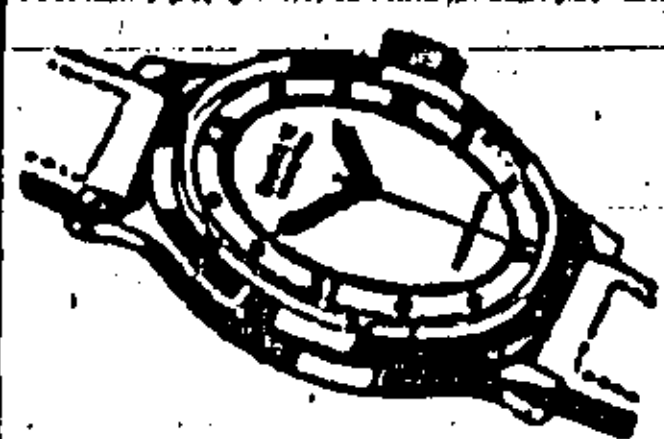
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Sports Pause



Softball:

WAHOOS WIN LADIES SENIOR LEAGUE PENNANT

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Jaguars nosed out Americans 5-4 in an eight-inning fracas that had a sensational finish, as American hurler Schulte balked after Pedruco had stolen third, to allow the winning run to cross the plate for the Jags to qualify for the play-off.

Wahoos clinched the Ladies Senior League pennant as they downed the Wildcats 7-1 in a fast-moving game highlighted by Patsy Ribeiro's homer.

Clovers provided the upset of the week when they shut out a strong Squaw outfit.

Behind Tania Tennison's brilliant mound work in which she fanned eight, Braves were again at the wrong end of a lop-sided score as they went down to the Blackhawks 14-1, while Overseas whitewashed Griffins 14-0.

The USS Bass split two games against junior outfits, when they succumbed to the Jaguar Cubs but triumphed over Overseas.

Jaguars 5—Americans 4
Jaguars threw away several scoring chances through recklessness on the base-paths, while two misfires in the outfield almost cost them the game.

Both hurlers Vic Pedruco and Schulte yielded seven blows apiece, but the former whiffed five while Schulte only accounted for one via the strike-out route.

Three batters up, his spear-headed by Eric Guest's round-tripper in the first frame netted the Americans whiffed down gradually until the sixth, when George Gallon poked out a four-batter hit along the foul-lines for the equaliser.

In the seventh, the Jaguars had a runner on first base, but failed to score as Moss grounded out.

The Americans staged a rally when lead-off Harry Ayres singled but was tagged out at second when he tried to stretch the single.

Bob McGowan popped out but Cliff Flook drew a walk, while Brown's towering fly which was muffed, placed ducks in the pond. Schulte lifted a fly, which was held and the uprising died out.

A wicked double
In the top of the extra inning, both Eric Guest and Gerald Langeniers grounded out, but Vic Pedruco slashed out a wicked double.

With two strikes on Barros at the plate, Pedruco was given the steal signal and pilfered the cushion safely.

A somewhat rattled Schulte on the slab made a motion to pitch but failed to deliver the ball as he turned around to talk to a team-mate and the plate umpire waved Pedruco home for the tie-breaker. Barros popped out.

With backs to the wall, the Americans tried to get back that run in their half of the eighth.

George Gallon and McLane both grounded out while Porter lifted a fly which Guest froze to end the game.

It was a heart-breaker for the Americans, who will now have to play the loser of the Braves—US Navy club for the fourth play-off berth.

Eric Guest was the only player to make more than one hit by beating out an infield hit in addition to his homer.

Wahoos 7—Wildcats 1
The Wahoos—Wildcats, scuffle started off at a terrific pace as neither side could dent the plate in the first two frames.

In the third the Green Owls crossed the plate for the first run of the game as Teresa Campos singled, stole second and rode home on Patsy Ribeiro's fly to centre-field.

The Felines soon equalised in the top of the fourth when Nana Bullenath was given a fly on a wild heave aided by a timely single by Rosie Whelan.

In the following frames, the Wahoos added consistently to the score with two runs in each chapter, while the Cats were played to a standstill and failed to cross the plate again.

Takes batting honours
Tall stick-wielder Patsy Ribeiro again came through with a round-tripper and a single to take batting honours.

Terry Noronha hurled a steady game as she pitched her Wahoos to their third consecutive championship.

She was aided to a considerable extent by a light folding side, particularly Irene Castilho at short-stop who froze a liner marked "base-hit" and Teresa Campos who romped the pasture with a drag-net that hauled in every catch over the infield.

Clovers 11—Squaws 10
Eddie Marques' coaching had telling effect as the Clovers sprung the upset of the week-end by oupling a favoured Squaw outfit.

Although Tania Tennison yielded eight hits—four more than losing rhabster Virgie Gonsales—

WEEK-END SCORES AT A GLANCE

MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE
St. Joseph's 10 Overseas 3
Madeira 9 Cumbancheros 4
Jaguars 5 Americans 4
(8 Inning-game)

MEN'S JUNIOR LEAGUE
Overseas 14 Griffins 0
Blackhawks 14 Braves 1
Roxes 18 Pandas 9

LADIES SENIOR LEAGUE
Wahoos 7 Wildcats 1

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An improved fielding side helped her to victory.

The four-leaved outfit jumped into lead by notching up three runs to the Squaws' two, in the initial frame, and though the Squaws equalised in the second the Clovers drew ahead again in the third with another run.

A nervous Clover side which nearly saw victory slip from their grasp in the fourth as Squaw staged a four run rally, fought back in the fifth with a 3-run spurge to lead 5-7.

Ding-dong struggle
The ding-dong struggle went the other way after the Squaws had their batting flicks when they notched two runs.

Two walks and two passed balls in the seventh, when Squaw Virgie Gonsales suffered a lapse, allowed three runs to cross the plate at this vital stage.

Coming into the bottom of the seventh, trailing behind by a single tally, Squaw Carmen Souza poked out her fourth hit of the day, stole second and reached third on a passed ball, but unfortunately Nana Carvalho and Joyce Giest bore down too hard and failed to come through with the all important safe hit. They popped out to catcher Thelam Coelho.

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On the Police side, Soares in goal made several good saves, but should never have missed the ball before Fowler got his second game.

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By the close of play, South Africa had made 104 for seven wickets in reply.

Lindsay Hassett, the Australian captain, hit his fourth first-class century and his highest score of the tour when he made 107 in five hours 14 minutes. His innings included six sixes and 14 fours.

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Hockey:

Police unlucky to lose to HK Hockey Club

Police may consider themselves unlucky that they did not at least share the points at King's Park yesterday when the Hong Kong Hockey Club beat them by four goals to three in a hockey fixture.

The game was characterised by hard hitting, much of it regrettably indiscriminate, with the result that few players enhanced their reputations.

The ground was bumpy and hard and ball control was consequently very difficult.

This circumstance, added to the inexperience of several of the players, made more conspicuous the absence of any real cohesive play.

Fowler, at centre-forward for the Club, stood out amongst his team mates and scored three of his side's goals. Whitley, too, was always working hard.

Fruer had a comparatively quiet morning at centre-half and seemed uncertain on the uneven surface, while Cannon and Boycott both got through a fair amount of work.

Ferrier stood up splendidly to one period of Police pressure and could do little about the shots that beat him.

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SOCCER RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION
Kwong Wah 0 Police 2

SECOND DIVISION
Army 10 PCA 1
Police 1 News Vendors 1
Yard Police 3 St. Joseph's 3
Kit Choo 4 Eastern 2
Prison's 1 Chinese AA 2
University 0 Talkoo 4

SCHOOL LEAGUE SENIOR KNOCK-OUT
Queen's 3 King George V 0
Talkoo 2 La Salle 1

JUNIOR LEAGUE
Ellis Kadourie P.M. 1 Government Vernacular School 1
Anglo Chinese P.M. 3 Wanchai P.M. 0
Wah Yan P.M. 3 Wanchai A.M. 0

Soccer:
Police beat Kwong Wah 2-0

In a First Division League soccer game played at Boundary Street yesterday, Kwong Wah lost to the Police by two goals to nil.

The Police team was strengthened by the inclusion of Au Chi-yin in the centre-forward berth and Tam Chun-shing at inside-right.

Au Chi-yin was the former South China AA centre-forward, while Tam Chun-shing previously played for Chinese AA.

Neither player was very impressive, although Au Chi-yin broke through in the second half to open the scoring. He also scored the other goal for a penalty.

Kwong Wah started off with 10 men, but after seven minutes Leung Mok-kam made up the team.

The Police were on the defensive right from the start and it was only the fine display put up by the two backs and the poor passing and shooting of the Kwong Wah forwards that prevented the latter from scoring.

The first half ended without any scoring, but after the change-over, the Police took up the running.

Pounces on ball
About seven minutes after the resumption, Au Chi-yin pounced on a pass by Ng Yue-wai and, speeding between the two Kwong Wah backs, lobbed the ball into the net past the advancing goalie Tam Woon-cheuk, to draw first blood.

A few minutes' later, Chong Man-ken was penalised for tripping Yuen Yiu-lam in the penalty area and Au Chi-yin scored from the spot to put the Police two up.

For the rest of the game, Police continued to press, with Kwong Wah breaking away occasionally.

However, poor finishing on the part of the Kwong Wah forwards nullified all efforts to score.

Police: Tsang Wing, Lau Wai, Ho Shing, Tsang Sik-hong, Leung Shun-chi, Lau Wing-kwong, Ng Yue-wai, Tam Woon-cheuk, Au Chi-yin, Chow Ha-man, Yuen Yiu-lam.

Kwong Wah: Tam Woon-cheuk, Chong Man-ken, Tang Chuen, Ming, Lee Shiu-fai, Leung Mok-Sui, Sau-kei, Tam Wai, Wan Hok-kam, Chung King-sang, Cheuk Shok-ken, Lau Pui.

Wah Yan College triangular sports meet today

The Wah Yan College annual sports meet will be held at Caroline Hill today, commencing at 10 a.m.

This year, the meet is being run as a triangular contest between the three sister Colleges, Wah Yan, Morning School, and Wah Yan Kowloon.

This is the first contest of its kind to be organised by Wah Yan College and keen competition is expected.

There will also be a relay race for the girls of the Colony's Convent Schools.

The Hon. Mr. A. N. Chan will present the prizes on concluding the meet.

Sports personality:

"Bimbi" Ablong



Alfred Ernest Ablong, better known to most people as "Bimbi" was born on December 15, 1918, the eldest of a family of four girls and five boys.

Bimbi is a keen sportsman, whose love for outdoor life had its beginning in his early youth.

During Bimbi's schooling period at La Salle College, where he finished in 1934, Ablong was devoted adherent to the Boy Scout movement, being eventually appointed Scoutmaster of the 2nd H.K. Cathedral Troop, and later St. Teresa's.

Bimbi's greatest sporting thrill was leading the troop to Shanghai in 1934 for a jamboree.

In the line of sports, our five feet three inches personality is a ball of fire in spite of his height—limitation, and won the La Salle field and track Junior Championship in 1933, being particularly good at sprints.

After leaving school, Bimbi participated in most of the local sports, his favourites being baseball, football and softball—though Bimbi confesses it's hard to tell which is his first choice when every sport offers him healthy recreational activity.

In football, Bimbi started out in 1938 representing Liga Portuguesa, and the PCA during the years preceding the Pacific War, while during the post-war period, he has turned regularly for St. Joseph's Second XI.

In the days when baseball was a popular local pastime, Bimbi formed his own team, the Comets, and won the unofficial Junior League, taking over himself, the onerous task of coaching.

Softball being similar to the older game of baseball in many respects, it was not unusual that Bimbi took to this relatively new sport, and ever since the introductory days, has been a loyal supporter both on and off the field.

Bimbi is now coaching the Pirates Ladies' Team, assisted in the training of the Wahoos and contributed much to laying the foundation of the present League Champions.

During the War, Bimbi was imprisoned at Shamshui, later being drafted to Japan where he worked in the mines.

After his release, he spent a much needed rest, during which time he travelled far and wide.

HOME RUGGER RESULTS
London, March 4.

The results of rugby football games played today were:

Union Royal Navy 8 The Army 10 (Inter-services tournament); London Irish 24 Aldershot Services 6; London Scottish 3 Richmond 12; London Welsh 9 Guy's Hospital 0; Middlesex Hospital 8 Birmingham 6; Old Merchant Taylors 9; Old Mill Hillians 3; Wasps 11; London Hospital 0; Abercrombie 14; Pembroke-shire 0; Bath 8; Bristol 0; Bedford 12; RAF 8; Bridgewater and Abdon 12; Old Edwardsians 3; Cambridge University 8; Roslyn Park 3; Cheltenham 15; Aberllynny 3; Cross Keys 6; Bridgend 3; Exeter 3; Plymouth 0; Abdon 0; Leicester 3; Harlequins 11; Liverpool 9; Moseley 10; Manchester 3; North 12; Neath 9; Llanelli 0; Newbridge 3; Pontypool 0; Newport 1; Caerdyff 11; Northampton 6; Gloucester 0; Nuneaton 15; St. David's 0; Penarth 11; Pontypool 17; Old Paulines 3; Rugby 0; Stroud 13; Old Blues 0; Swansea 25; Blackheath 11; Teignmouth 8; Devonport Services 0; Torquay 6; St. Mary's Hospital 11; Watford 0; Coventry 17; Weston-super-Mare 18; Ebbw Vale 0.

League: Barrow 14; Leeds 8; Brumby 0; Hunslet 21; Dewsbury 28; York 2; Featherstone Rovers 17; Wakefield Trinity 11; Huddersfield 27; Wigan 6; Hull 11; Batley 27; Macclesfield 11; Kingston Rovers 0; Liverpool 10; Stanley 13; Carlisle 3; Oldham 10; Belle Vue 8; Rochdale Hornets 6; Halifax 6; Salford 8; Leigh 2; St. Helens 12; Warrington 3; Widnes 7; Swinton 10; Workington Town 9; Bradford Northern 4; Leeds 2.

OTHER SPORTS
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Cricket:

RAF beat 'Occasionals' by six wickets

In a friendly cricket match at Chater Road yesterday, Royal Air Force beat Hong Kong Cricket Club "Occasionals" by six wickets.

After passing the total of 91 runs knocked up by the "Occasionals" the Airmen continued to bat and at the time stumps were drawn, had scored 149 runs for five wickets.

Taking first lease of the wicket, the "Occasionals" found runs difficult to get in the face of keen bowling by the Airmen.

Only C. Blott (35) and H. M. Newton (20) offered any challenge to the RAF bowlers.

Tyrer was the most successful RAF bowler, taking four wickets for 42 runs. Davenport claimed two wickets for nine runs. Hurst also accounted for two of the "Occasionals" batsmen, but gave away 20 runs.

E. C. Dunn, who opened the RAF innings with D. M. Ogilvie, laid the foundation for a RAF victory.

After Ogilvie had been bowled by Cull with only three runs to his credit, Dunn was joined by Cunningham.

In the course of a second wicket stand, Dunn and Cunningham scored 30 runs each.

B. Cooper also did well with the bat and scored 34 runs.

The bowling of the Chater Road team proved ineffective, Kerr being the only man to do anything with the ball. He took three RAF wickets for 13 runs in two overs.

HKCC "Occasionals"
A. White b Tyrer c Substitute b 0
R. S. Cull c Substitute b 0
Tyrer 11.2 11.2 42 4
C. Blott run out 35
K. M. S. Wilson b Tyrer 4
G. Pritchard c Tyrer b 6
Davenport 0
A. M. Nolan c Substitute b 0
Hurst 8
R. MacPherson lbw Davenport 8
J. Salaman not out 3
H. M. Newton c Madger b 20
Tyrer 0
Thorp b Madger 0
O. J. Kerr b Hurst 0
Extras 10
Total 149

Bowling Analysis
Tyrer 11.2 11.2 42 4
Davenport 8 4 20 2
Hurst 8 4 0 2
Madger 3 0 10 1

RAF
E. C. Dunn lbw White 38
D. M. Ogilvie b Cull 33
G. Cunningham c Blott b 36
K. C. H. Ball c MacPherson b 0
A. D. Patten b MacPherson b 0
G. West b MacPherson 0
B. Cooper at Newton b Kerr 34

IRCC—Dockyard "B"
In a friendly cricket match played at King's Park yesterday, the Royal Army Pay Corps beat Dockyard "B" by eight wickets.

Enslowing first lease of the wicket, Dockyard were all out for 83 runs against the accurate bowling of J. R. Stoddart, who took four wickets for 10 runs.

Highest scorer for Dockyard "B" was B. Tucker, who knocked up 34 runs while A. Roberts and B. Shield contributed 14 and 12 respectively.

IRCC easily passed the Dockyard total with eight wickets in hand. They continued to bat and when stumps were drawn, had scored 161 for eight wickets.

J. B. Bartlett again proved to be an outstanding willow-wielder and was undefeated with 67 runs at the close of play. Woods was another IRCC batsman to be in form, scoring 57 runs.

Best Dockyard bowler was G. Collins, who